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JAPAN NAVAL CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME WAS ACTUALLY BEGUN TWO YEARS AGO

LATIN INTELLIGENCE OFFICER FIRST GAVE EUROPE DETAILS OF NEW 42,000-TON BATTLESHIP

Defences East Of Colombo To Be Co-ordinated

LONDON, MARCH 20 (REUTER)—THERE IS GOOD REASON TO BELIEVE THAT JAPAN'S SIX-YEAR NAVAL CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME, ALTHOUGH ITS EXISTENCE WAS ONLY ADMITTED IN TOKYO DURING THE PAST FEW DAYS, WAS ACTUALLY BEGUN IN 1937, WRITES THE NAVAL EXPERT OF THE "DAILY EXPRESS."

Despite the jealous secrecy surrounding the programme, the writer believes "from information received" that it consists of five battleships, eight 10,000-ton cruisers, 16 light cruisers, two aircraft-carriers, 32 destroyers and 12 submarines.

Arita Seeks Views Of The Genro

IMPORTANT DIPLOMATIC ISSUES

TOKYO, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—The "Kokumin Shinbun" to-day features a story that the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, acting on instructions from the Prime Minister, Baron Hiranuma, called on the Genro, Prince Saionji, at his country villa in Shizuoka, yesterday morning and submitted a report on important diplomatic issues and requested the Genro's views.

After his return to Tokyo, Mr. Arita immediately reported to the War Minister, Gen. Itagaki.

Observers attach unusual importance to the consultation with the Genro which is very rare and it is believed that it indicates that the Cabinet attaches vital importance to the decision on a certain issue, possibly the fisheries dispute, or in connection with the strengthening of the Anti-Comintern Pact.

CHINESE SUCCESSES IN HOPEH

SIAM MAR. 20 (CENTRAL)—A SERIES CHINESE SUCCESSES IN THE VICINITY OF YIENSHAN IN EAST HOPEH WAS REPORTED BY GEN. SHIH YU-SAN, chairman of the Chahar Provincial Government, in a telegram to the military headquarters here.

At Nantangtsun and Peitangtsun, a Chinese regiment engaged 1,500 Japanese in the morning of March 9 and inflicted more than 500 casualties before withdrawing to new positions.

The Chinese utilized their knowledge of the hilly locality to great advantage and lured the enemy to bitter street fighting at which the Chinese were adept with their big swords and hand grenades.

At Chingyun, another small village near Yienshan, a strong Japanese unit with field pieces and machine-guns was driven away with sixty dead by Chinese guerrillas after a brisk engagement off the highway on March 11.

Two Chinese companies, executing a flanking movement, succeeded in seizing one machine-gun and more than thirty rifles from the fleeing Japanese.

42 Children Drowned In Lake Tragedy

WARSAW, Mar. 20 (T/Ocean)—Forty-two children lost their lives to-day in a tragic disaster on a lake near Kremeniec, Wolhynia.

The children, who were making an excursion with their teacher, ran on the thin ice of the lake before the teacher could stop them. Under their weight the ice gave way and all the children were thrown into the water.

At the risk of his own life, the teacher succeeded in saving three of the children while 42 among them his own daughter, were drowned.

All surrounding villages have been mobilized to recover the bodies but have met with great difficulties owing to the depth and size of the lake.

JAPANESE FLOTILLA OFF CHENHAI

KINEWA, Mar. 20 (Central)—A flotilla of six Japanese war vessels, including two cruisers and three destroyers, steamed near Chenhai on the north Chekiang coast and laid a terrific barrage of more than 500 shells on the shore, at ten o'clock yesterday morning.

Chinese coastal positions were not damaged. The Japanese ships later in the afternoon were seen to move out to the sea.



PRESIDENT LEBRUN

LEBRUN'S VISIT TO LONDON

Joint Reception On Thursday

LONDON, Mar. 20 (T/Ocean)—The celebrations in honour of President Lebrun who will be the guest of the British Government in London from Mar. 21 to 23 have been extended according to "The Times" this morning.

The House of Commons and the House of Lords will give a joint reception for the French President and Madame Lebrun on Thursday. The French guests will be welcomed by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Maugham and the Speaker of the House of Commons.

CZECH REPRESENTATIVES

The diplomatic representatives of former Czechoslovakia will attend in rank held so far at the celebrations being planned in London in connection with the State visit of President Lebrun according to an announcement made in London by "The Times" this morning.

The paper's diplomatic correspondent writes that the question concerning the recognition and further diplomatic rights and privileges to the Czech representatives has not been definitely settled.

The problem has been submitted for solution to experts of international law in the Foreign Office.

STREETS DECORATED

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—The principal streets in London are being decorated in preparation for the visit of President Lebrun and Madame Lebrun to-morrow. A full official programme has been arranged for the distinguished visitors who will be accompanied by the Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet. They will remain in London until Friday.

President and Madame Lebrun will stay in the blue suite in Buckingham Palace while M. Bonnet will stay in the French Embassy.

ABSOLUTE NEUTRALITY OF NORWAY

OSLO, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—"We have not asked and we do not want a guarantee in any form whatever from any individual power or group of powers," declared M. C. J. Hambro, President of the Storting, speaking at a political meeting.

M. Hambro added, "Our policy of neutrality cannot be based on a false feeling of security, provided by guarantees, but only on our own capacity will we defend our absolute neutrality in every direction."

Col. Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, will leave Warsaw for London on April 3. (T.O.)

PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TAKEN

HALIFAX CALLS AT PALACE

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—Reuter understands that immediate communications are taking place between the British Government and the Soviet, Polish, Rumanian, Yugoslav, Turkish and Bulgarian Governments on the Central European situation.

In the meantime precautionary measures are being taken in various directions.

A full meeting of the British Cabinet which began at 10.30 a.m. ended at 12.15 p.m. had before it the British Ambassador to Berlin, Sir Neville Henderson's report also Parliamentary statements to be made this afternoon.

While the meeting was in progress the Opposition Leaders, Mr. C. R. Attlee, Mr. Arthur Greenwood and Sir Archibald Sinclair called at No. 10 Downing Street and were acquainted with the latest trend of events.

Before the Cabinet meeting, Lord Halifax, Foreign Secretary, was received in audience by the King.

The Polish and Rumanian Ambassadors and the German Charge d'Affaires called at the Foreign Office.

PRIME MINISTER'S REPLY LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—In the House of Commons this morning, Mr. Arthur Henderson (Labour) asked whether the British Government would contemplate granting de jure recognition to the German Government's annexation and control of territories formerly forming part of Czechoslovakia, namely Bohemia and Moravia.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Chamberlain, replied that the British Government would require to give consideration in concert with other Governments to all the consequences of the German action against Czechoslovakia before a statement can be made.

EMERGENCY CABINET MEETING CALLED

SYDNEY, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—Following a week-end radio-telephone talk with the British Prime Minister, Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. J. A. Lyons, Australian Prime Minister, announced to-day that an emergency Cabinet meeting will be held in Melbourne to-morrow to discuss the European situation.

GOERING TO SEE MUSSOLINI

BERLIN, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—It is understood that Field-Marshal Goering is returning to Italy to-morrow to resume his interrupted holiday. This indicates that there will be no immediate convocation of the Reichstag. It is thought that Field-Marshal Goering will have an early meeting with Signor Mussolini.

GUIDE TO THE NEWS

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Above pictures show a recent meeting in progress at the Shum-chun Rural Welfare Centre to discuss a co-operative credit scheme and other aspects of the work at the Centre.

EUROPE DRIVEN BACK UPON STARK FORCE

German Encirclement Inevitable Process

LONDON, MARCH 20 (T/OCEAN)—A CABINET COUNCIL WAS HELD HERE THIS MORNING "AT WHICH ALL MINISTERS WERE PRESENT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF VISCOUNT RUNCIMAN WHO IS ABROAD. THE BRITISH AMBASSADORS IN PARIS AND BERLIN, WHO HAVE BEEN RECALLED TO REPORT, WERE ADMITTED TO THE COUNCIL ROOM DURING THE DELIBERATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSULTATION."

REUTER REPORTS THAT MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS ARE EXPECTED TO BE MADE IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS AND THE HOUSE OF COMMONS THIS AFTERNOON AFTER ANOTHER MEETING OF THE CABINET THIS MORNING.

The statements are eagerly awaited throughout Britain as they are expected to throw some light on the changes in foreign policy believed to be necessitated by the events in Europe.

The mood of responsible British opinion is reflected in the "Times" which says that Europe has been driven back upon stark force and nothing else counts. The paper adds that this country is always opposed to the policy of encircling Germany but Germany's policy, above all, her methods, is making the encirclement natural, even inevitable.

The "Daily Telegraph" states that the policy that would be effective is bound to envisage new commitments in this country somewhere.

The paper says that King Carol had drawn the attention of Britain. "We have hitherto made no statement as to where we propose to draw the line on German encroachment," says the paper.

Checkmate On German Policy

JOHANNESBURG, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—The view that "world conquest by consent" as also all talk of return of colonies to Germany should be stopped now, is expressed by the "Rand Daily Mail."

It is by no means certain that such a step would lead to war, declares the newspaper, which adds that such a step would checkmate Germany's policy of world domination by fear complex.

THE DOLLAR

T.T. ON LONDON: 1s. 2.25/24.

T.T. ON NEW YORK: 28 13/16

London Silver Market

From Our Own Correspondent London, Mar. 20. London silver prices to-day were up 1/16 as follows: Mar. 18 Mar. 20 Spot 20 20-1/16 Forward 19-13/16 19-7/8.

So Simple And Naive!

"PRESS CLUB" IN CANTON

LATEST JAPANESE PROPAGANDA

A Reuter message from Canton yesterday reads:

"A claim that Chinese of all classes are flocking back to Canton at the rate of 4,000 a month was made at the first Japanese press conference. The majority are returning via Macao, although a considerable number is also coming direct from Hongkong."

This gigantic piece of Japanese propaganda requires elucidation.

On Tuesday, March 14, according to the "Canton Daily Sun," a press conference was convened in Canton by one Colonel Tamura, Director of the Japanese Military Information Bureau, and attended by about twenty foreign, Japanese and Chinese journalists (the latter, of course, being puppets who had no say in the matter except to nod or shake their heads as their Japanese masters directed), and a Canton Press Club was inaugurated.

Colonel Tamura, in his opening remarks, emphasized the importance of accurate news and the necessity that certain methods be adopted for the daily release of news. This seems so simple and naive, but nobody can be taken in by it. Mr. Kinoshita, correspondent of the "Asahi Shimbun," a Tokyo newspaper, was "unanimously" selected (not elected, mark you!) as chairman of the club and Colonel Tamura "very kindly" accepted the post of adviser.

Furthermore, it should be noted in connexion with the statement made by the Japanese at their press conference that not more than one hundred (100) passengers have gone back directly from Hongkong to Canton during the last month.

It will easily be realized the amount of accurate news one may expect to get from the new Canton Press Club and the value of the so-called press conferences.

WANTON AIR RAIDS CONTINUE

THIRD SUCCESSIVE DAYS BOMBING

SIANGYANG, Mar. 20 (Central)—Wanton destruction of property, but remarkably few loss of lives, featured the third successive day of Japanese bombing of Siangyang and Fancheng, sister cities facing each other on the Han River in north Hupeh, by fifteen planes in relays throughout yesterday morning and afternoon.

More than 200 missiles were dropped at random on all parts of the two cities bringing down hundreds of structures to debris and ruin. Effective steps taken by the local authorities to decentralise the population were able to limit the casualties list to just over 20.

Already considerably reduced to shambles, Siangyang and Fancheng now present pictures of ravage and desolation in strange contrast with the peace and prosperity a month ago. After yesterday's raid, more people have moved out from the urban areas to the adjoining country.

RAID ON SZEWUI

LINHSIEN, KWANGTUNG, Mar. 20 (Central)—Nine Japanese heavy bombers subjected Szeui to another terrific bombardment from the air shortly before ten o'clock yesterday morning.

Parts of the city and many adjoining areas were made targets of the Japanese raid. Altogether more than 30 "eggs" were dropped, killing and wounding ten civilians.

In the World of Sports

FIRST MAJOR UPSET IN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Hung, Fincher, Eliminated In Game Of Thrills

MANY MATCH POINTS SAVED BY LOSING COMBINATION

(By "TAC")

THE FIRST BIG UPSET OF THE CURRENT TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS, AND ONE OF THE BIGGEST IN RECENT YEARS, occurred in the Open Doubles match at the Hongkong Cricket Club ground yesterday when, meeting in the first round, W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher, runners-up for the doubles title in 1936 and 1937, were put out by J. J. Remedios and A. V. Gosano in the first round.

The match, which attracted a large gallery, and which did not finish till nearly 6.30, was the most thrilling in the tournament to date. At one time it looked as if the upset would take the form of a complete rout, for, having won the opening set at 6-4, without very much effort, Remedios and Gosano were leading 4-1 and 40-15 in the second.

RESULTS

Several other Open games were played yesterday, and results follow:—

DOUBLES

J. J. Remedios and A. V. Gosano beat W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher 6-3, 12-14, 6-1. Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau beat J. M. Tomlinson and L. J. C. Loch 6-1, 6-1.

I. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu beat Tsoi Ping-fan and Ng Kam-cheun 6-4, 7-5.

SINGLES

S. W. Liang beat Wei Chung 6-4, 6-4. Peter U beat L. J. S. Theobald 6-1, 1-6, 6-1.

Thereafter, however, it became a tale of missed opportunities, they lost the next three games in a row, and, after a series of alarms and excursions, lost the set at 14-12.

At this stage it seemed more than possible that, like in so many similar matches before, the tables would be turned and the pair that had been trailing to date would wind up by winning. Rather contrary to expectations, the reverse was the case. There was an anti-climax finish but the decision went to the Portuguese pair, who lost only one game.

FINCHER OFF FORM

Main features of this game were the consistently poor form of Fincher, usually one of the steadiest of players, the terrific first service of Remedios, who aces Fincher nearly as often as he didn't, and the fact that on two separate occasions in the second set the winning pair had three match points in hand (5-4 and 40-15 against service, and 6-7 and 40-15, also against service) and were pulled back each time.

Remedios was the most brilliant player on view, though not perhaps quite the most consistent. His service, as has already been stated, scored many aces for him, his over-head, when the opportunity presented itself, was effective, and he scored many points with an unexpected angled volley and a flicked forehand drive.

Gosano was on the whole steady, though he made a number of inexplicable bad shots. On the other side of the net, Hung was brilliant at one time and unreliable at another, but, with the exception of an improved period towards the end, particularly when he put up some judiciously-judged lobs, Fincher was hardly recognisable as the player who had beaten Paul Kong in the singles in such fine style last week. It was one of his worst off days for a long time.

LOSERS ALWAYS TRAILING
Apart from winning the first game on Fincher's service, the losers were always trailing in the first set, which they lost at 6-3.

Breaking through service in the second game of the second set, the Portuguese pair went to a 3-0 lead. They dropped the next game, but won the next to lead 4-1. Then,

on the opposition's service, they led 20-15, and a magnificent opportunity of securing a practically invincible lead had presented itself.

But they dropped the next two points, however, and were pulled back to 4-4. They took the ninth game and again led 40-15 against service. In other words, had three match points. Two courageous smashes by Hung, and they were pulled back again.

Games then see-sawed, and at 8-7 the same situation arose, with the same result. Thereafter the odds were on Fincher and Hung levelling the set scores, and they eventually succeeded in doing so, but not till 26 games had been played.

FINAL SET ANTI-CLIMAX

In the final set the winners reeled off the first three games, lost the next, and won the fifth to go to a 4-1 lead. Then, when Fincher and Hung were leading 40-15 in the sixth, they returned the compliment "proffered" them in the second set, pulled them back to deuce, and after a couple more deuces had been called, annexed the game.

The last game was won in fitting style on Remedios' service to love.

Local Soccer Fixtures

The following are the remaining League and representative football matches:—

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22

First Division

South China "A" v St. Joseph's (Caroline Hill, 5 p.m.)
Referee:—Adlam
Linesmen:—Demee and Purnell
Eastern v Royal Scots (Club, 5 p.m.)
Referee:—Glover
Linesmen:—Hartley and Barretto.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

First Division

Kowloon v South China "A" (Kowloon, 4.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Hinchliffe
Linesmen:—Somerville and Wiper.
Middlesex v Eastern (Sookunpoo, 4.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Havelaar.
Linesmen:—Banham and Baker.
St. Joseph's v Police (Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Ford.
Linesmen:—Horlock and Stone.

Second Division

Kwong Wah v South China (Kowloon, 3 p.m.)
Referee:—Ip.
5th R.A. v Eastern (Sookunpoo, 3 p.m.)
Referee:—Omar.

THIRD DIVISION

Play off Runner-up position
South China v Kit Che (Caroline Hill, 3 p.m.)
Referee:—Clarke.

SUNDAY, MARCH 26

Wai Wah Cup Final

Civilians v Chinese (Club, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—Goss.
Linesmen:—Farr and Hartley.

MADAR SHOWS A DEAD BAT

Bowlers Just Could Not Shift Him

TAME DRAW AT KOWLOON C.C.

BY "TAC"

THE DEAD BAT AND IN-EXHAUSTIBLE PATIENCE OF A. H. Madar, veteran I.R.C. all-rounder, and Interport cricketer, presented a problem which the Kowloon bowlers could not solve in the K.C.C.-I.R.C. game at King's Park on Saturday which meant so much to the home side, and the match, which at one time had promised a great finish, petered out into a tame draw.

As an exhibition of defensive batting, Madar's innings cannot be over-written up. He batted in all 89 minutes and in that period he never really looked like getting out, and with the exception of one or two slightly mistimed shots, every ball was taken on that part of the bat which he intended it should. The fact that, during that period, he gathered only 18 runs, however, is an indication of the utter completeness with which he eschewed all risks, and, from the point of view of "brighter cricket," his performance was easily one of the drabdest seen in the local league for some time.

Nor was the necessary for it clear. At 5.19, in reply to a total of 188, the Indians had 62 on the board for the loss of three wickets. In other words, they were, practically level, with the clock, requiring 75 runs to win, with approximately an hour to get them, and with the sting taken off the bowling.

At this time Madar had already been in for some time and was, clearly, well set. He had been content to let his partner do the scoring, which, up to then, was the right game. After the latter's dismissal, however, he should have opened out, for the Indians had every chance of doing it. Instead of this, however, he retired completely into his shell, with the result already described. In the end the Indians finished with 105 for seven wickets.

One thing that might have affected Madar's batting and made him play the game that he did was the fact that he was suffering from a sprained wrist.

OTHER FEATURES

So much for the batting of the Indians. More "positive" features of the match were the batting of the Fincher Brothers, the bowling of A. R. Minu, A. M. Rumlajn and Bertram Lay, the wicket-keeping of Norman Mackay, and the amazing catch brought off by Ismail Ali right on the boundary to dismiss Kenneth Baxter.

Rumlajn took no wicket, and the casual observer will probably wonder what his name is, doing in the "honours" list. I was in a good position to watch, however, and I much admired his fighting of the ball and variations of pace. The fact that, a slow to medium bowler, he bowled nine overs to the Fincher Brothers when they were very well set, and had only 27 runs hit off him, is evidence enough of the efficacy of his work.

MACKAY'S KEEPING

Mackay kept wicket very well indeed, allowing no byes at all, catching one man and stumping M. P. Madar brilliantly. When the latter was attempting to hit out towards the end, his taking of leg side balls was of a consistently high standard.

Bertram Lay, in the ten overs that he delivered, put down less than half a dozen balls that could be described as bad. He only had one wicket, but it was a valuable one—that of A. R. Kitchell, whom he bowled with a beauty. But for the Fincher, Kowloon would have been in a terrible mess. Between them they put up 96 runs for the third wicket. Ernie's own score was 61, and Teddy had 50. Thus they together got 101 runs of Kowloon's total of 138! No other batsman reached double figures, and what K.C.C.'s total would have been without their 101 is best left to the imagination!

FANLING HUNT & RACE CLUB

Entries For Spring Meeting

The following is the programme for the Fanling Hunt and Race Club to be held at Kwanti on Mar. 26:—

1.—2.45 p.m. "The Shataukok Handicap."—A steeplechase of 1 1/2 miles for China ponies. Winners this season of more than one steeplechase barred. Winner a Cup or \$75; 2nd \$40; 3rd \$30. Entry Fee \$3.
Clowner 152 lbs., Double Chance 160, Herga 162, Lucky Again 181, Mortmain 158, Three Farthings 159, and Zero 168.

2.—"The Drag Hunters' Plate."—A hurdle race of 1 1/2 miles for China ponies bona-fide hunters. Winners of a steeplechase this season barred. Catchweight 160 lbs. Winners of a hurdle race this season 7 lbs. extra. Winner a Cup or \$75; 2nd \$40; 3rd \$30. Entry Fee \$3.
Arabian Cat, Canary, Clowner, Herga, Ike, Jack O'Lantern, "King's Parade," March Brown, "Mortmain," Public Hero No. 1, Punch, "Three Farthings," and Widnes.

3.—Seven lbs. penalty.
4.—"The Brisbane Handicap."—A steeplechase of 1 1/2 miles for Australian ponies. Ponies classified "A" and "B" barred. Winner a Cup or \$75; 2nd \$40; 3rd \$30. Entry Fee \$3.

Cape York 140 lbs., Flummary 150, Glorious Star 150, Iroquois 140, Margaret 152, Sea Urelin 143, Soldier of Scotland 152, Spark Plug 162, Spectrum 160, and Streamline 168.

4.—"The St. John Cup."—A handicap flat race of 1 mile for China ponies classified at date of entry as "D" class. Ponies that have started this season and not won more than one steeplechase barred. Winner \$200; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$75. Entry Fee \$5.

Charybdis 140 lbs., Cuban Love 140, Diogenes 144, Ebony Idol 147, Emergency Call 143, Fel Ying 140, Flybylight 156, Plain View 153, and Royal Highness 163.

5.—"The Hobart Plate."—A flat race of 6 furlongs for Australian ponies. Hongkong Jockey Club Subscription Griffins of 1939 to have started and have not won a.w.n. \$200. Weight for inches as per scale. Winner \$200; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$75. Entry Fee \$5.

African Diamond 155 lbs., Amber II 152, Bruno 155, Heinz 152, and Schmetterling 152.

6.—"The Subs' Scurry."—A flat race of 1 mile for China ponies. Hongkong Jockey Club Subscription Griffins of 1939 that have started and have not won \$200. Weight for inches as per scale. Winner \$200; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$75. Entry Fee \$5.

Avalon 155 lbs., Black Diamond 152, Geordie 155, Green Bay 155, National Service 158, Old Fashioned 155, Patriotic Day 161, Rose Day 155, Thanksgiving Day 152, The Buccaneer 152, The Spirit of St. Louis 155, True Love 155, and Welcome 161.

In connection with "The St. John Cup," the 4th Race, a special \$1 Sweep is being conducted. The cost of a book of tickets is \$9, while a through ticket including a chance on "The St. John Cup" is \$10 per set. Both are obtainable at the Secretaries' Office, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building and at the Cash Sweep Department, 18, Colnaght Road Central.

LOCAL YACHTING RESULTS

The re-sail of the 6th Ladies' Second Series took place yesterday and resulted in a win for True Blue sailed by Miss H. Crawhall Wilson.

Detailed results follow:—
"A" Class—Started at 11.45
Finished Cor. Pos. Pts.
Artemis ... 18.45.30 18.45.30 2 12
(Miss M. Whitlam).
Redbank ... 18.47.22 18.47.22 5 11
(Mrs. M. N. Luce).
True Blue ... 18.45.08 18.45.08 1 14
(Miss H. Crawhall Wilson).
Kittiwake ... 18.48.03 18.48.03 5 9
(Miss P. M. King).
Jean ... 18.48.38 18.48.38 8 8
(Mrs. V. Gowland).
La Linda ... 18.47.33 18.47.33 4 10
(Mrs. M. I. Johnstone).
Gurl, D.N.F.

MCGRATH WILL NOT PLAY AT WIMBLEDON

V. G. McGrath, the Australian Davis Cup player, will not play at Wimbledon this year. A proposal that he should be sent was rejected by the Council of the New South Wales Lawn Tennis Association.

H.K. CYCLING CLUB

One of the most brilliant performances witnessed in Colony cycling was put up by R. H. Dodwell on Mar. 15 during training for the coming hill-climb trial. Using a 66" gear he rode the 1.134 730 yards ascent at an average speed of 12.34 m.p.h., to clock 2 mins. 1 sec. and beat his nearest rival, H. A. G. Keates, by the decisive margin of 31 secs. Other riders who succeeded in beating the 5 minute mark were: Wong Kim-wah 2 mins. 42 secs. and 3 mins. 57 secs. Ng Chung 4 mins. 49 secs.

Final training for the hill-climb concludes on Wednesday, Mar. 22, and riders intending to participate should meet at the Methodist Church, Hennessy Road, Wanchai, at 5 p.m. The hill-climb, which is open to Chinese cyclists only, is arranged for Mar. 26, entries closing on Mar. 22. Full particulars may be obtained at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., 70 Bridges Street, Victoria, and Waterloo Road, Kowloon; from Yuk Wah, 111 Hennessy Road, Wanchai; Wai Kee, Temple Street, Yaumatei; or from Mr. H. A. G. Keates, R.A.S.C., Wellington Barracks.

Last week-end's outing was poorly attended, but the party enjoyed excellent weather in spite of the continual threat of rain. On Sunday next, the tourist section of the Hongkong Cycling Club will leave the Methodist Church, Wanchai, at 2 p.m. for a short spin on the Island. Non-members are extended a cordial welcome on all Club runs.

Sporting Fixtures

TO-DAY

BADMINTON.—Open Championship, M. A. Oliveira v. Y. L. Yung (Taikoo), 8 p.m.

GOLF.—Ladies' Spring Meeting (Fanling).

MEETING.—Kowloon Chess Club, at Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

SWIMMING.—Mixed Swimming, in European Y. M. C. A. Swimming Pool, 6 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

TENNIS.—Colony Championships at Hongkong C.C. Open Singles, S. A. Rumlajn v. G. Choa; Wong Shui-wing v. K. W. Ma; F. H. Kwok v. H. D. Rumlajn. Club Singles, T. J. Gould v. B. O'M. Deane; T. A. Pearce v. T. C. Monaghan. Mixed Doubles, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Walkden v. H. J. Seull and Miss G. Seull. Handicap Doubles, R. C. Beaven and A. K. Mackenzie v. E. R. Price and T. J. Price. Handicap Singles, Capt. R. B. Leckie v. C. M. Stark.

TO-MORROW
BADMINTON.—"B" Division, S. & A. Home v. St. Andrew's "B"; Wanderers v. Kowloon Tong "A"; Y.M.C.A. Badminton, in the West Lounge, 8.30 p.m.

SHOOTING.—Weekly Spoon and Practice Shoot (Kowloon City), 2 p.m.

TENNIS.—Colony Championships at Hongkong C. C. Open Singles.—Leong Ping-chiu v. Lef Wai-tong; Lam Kwan v. L. J. M. Tomlinson; Peter U. or L. J. M. Theobald v. A. Crawford; Ho Ka-lau v. W. C. Hung.

THURSDAY, MARCH 23
ATHLETICS.—Army Championships (Boundary Street).

BRIDGE.—Cheero Club Bridge Evening.

GOLF.—Ladies' Spring Meeting (Fanling).

MEETINGS.—Hongkong Badminton Club, at S. and A. Home, 7 p.m.

TENNIS.—Colony Championships at Hongkong C. C. Open Singles.—L. M. A. Razack v. Luk Chun-cheong; Tsui Yan-pui v. T. J. Gould. Open Doubles.—Lim Thiam-tet and Stephen Wong v. E. E. Story and J. J. Ferguson.

Gosano Bowls Splendidly

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(By C.I.R.E.)

The much-publicized key match in the Senior Cricket League played at King's Park on Saturday, and which attracted more than ordinary interest resulted in an easy win for Club de Recreio over the Hongkong Cricket Club. The latter were without the services of G.P. Longfield and had to field a substitute until the arrival of V.C. Bond.

During the afternoon twenty wickets fell for an aggregate of 187 runs, in other words, an average of nine runs per batsman!

Dr. Eddie Gosano, the mainstay of the Recreio attack, was once again in deadly form and, breaking both ways, his final analysis was seven wickets for 16 runs in nine overs of which three were maidens. Gosano's bowling in League fixtures this season has been most remarkable in addition to being consistently good.

Dr. H. L. Ozorio, who has also done stalwart work for the Recreio attack, only claimed one wicket, that of Alec Pearce, on Saturday.

Recreio batted first but against the steady bowling of the Pearce brothers, John in particular, were early up against it and with the fall of the fourth wicket had realised only 68 runs. Thirty-three runs later saw the Recreio with their last man, N.A. Beltrao, in partnership with W.A. Reed who had been batting steadily since the fall of the fourth wicket.

The score was 101 for nine wickets when Owen Hughes, the Club skipper, decided, perhaps unwisely, to change the bowlers, he himself replacing T.A. Pearce and Bryan-Gower, who was bowling fast, taking John Pearce's end.

The change proved expensive and Beltrao and Reed hit out to good advantage and it was not until the 139 mark was reached that Beltrao was caught after contributing a useful 13. Reed had 25 not out. John Pearce finished up with six wickets for 27 runs in 13 overs of which two were maidens. Recreio's first wicket fell at 2.41 p.m. and the last at 4.27 o'clock.

CLUB BAT

The Club opened with Owen Hughes and New, a newcomer to the team. Off the first ball from Dr. Gosano New was apparently caught by Noiasco-Silva, fielding at point, but a confident appeal was not upheld. The second ball saw New caught by Beltrao behind the stumps.

FOURTH ANNUAL PRIZE MEETING OF H.K.R.A.

To Be Held From April 13 To 17

Programmes and entry forms have been issued for the fourth annual Prize Meeting (Incorporating the United Services meeting) of the Hongkong Rifle Association to be held on the Army Barracks, Kowloon City, from April 13 to 17, both days inclusive.

Entries close on April 2 and post entries, 50 per cent. extra, will close on April 8. Any entry received after April 6 will be charged 100 per cent. and then subject to Range accommodation.

The booklet contains the provisional time-table for the meeting. On April 13, 14 and 15, there will be shooting from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on April 16 and 17 from 8.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

During the meeting the Claybird Range will be open as follows:—April 14:—11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 4 p.m.; April 15:—10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; April 16:—10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 3 to 4.30 p.m.; April 17:—10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2 to 3.30 p.m.

The following are the rifle competitors:—"Affiliated Rifle Clubs," China Fleet Challenge Cup, Company Match (Services), Felling Plate Match (Services), Imperial and Police Forces, "Inter-Universities," "International," Machine Gun Match, Platoon Match (Services), Association Revolver Team Match, Services Revolver Team Match, Senior Members Match, "Services Team Aggregate, Steel-Coulson Trophy, "Veterans Trophy," Services Claybird Team match.

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The Club thereafter failed miserably against the bowling of Eddie Gosano, and at the fall of the seventh wicket, only garnered 38 runs. T.A. Pearce was top scorer with 14 when he was caught and bowled by Ozorio.

John Pearce contributed 10 but the remainder failed and the side was dismissed for the paltry total of 48.

The Club's first wicket fell at 4.41 p.m. and the last man was out at 5.33 o'clock, the innings lasting 52 minutes.

The fall of the wickets was as follows:—

RECREIO:—1/28; 2/46; 3/67; 4/68; 5/75; 6/84; 7/95; 8/101; 9/101; 10/139.
H.K.C.C.:—1/0; 2/13; 3/21; 4/22; 5/28; 6/28; 7/36; 8/44; 9/45; 10/48.



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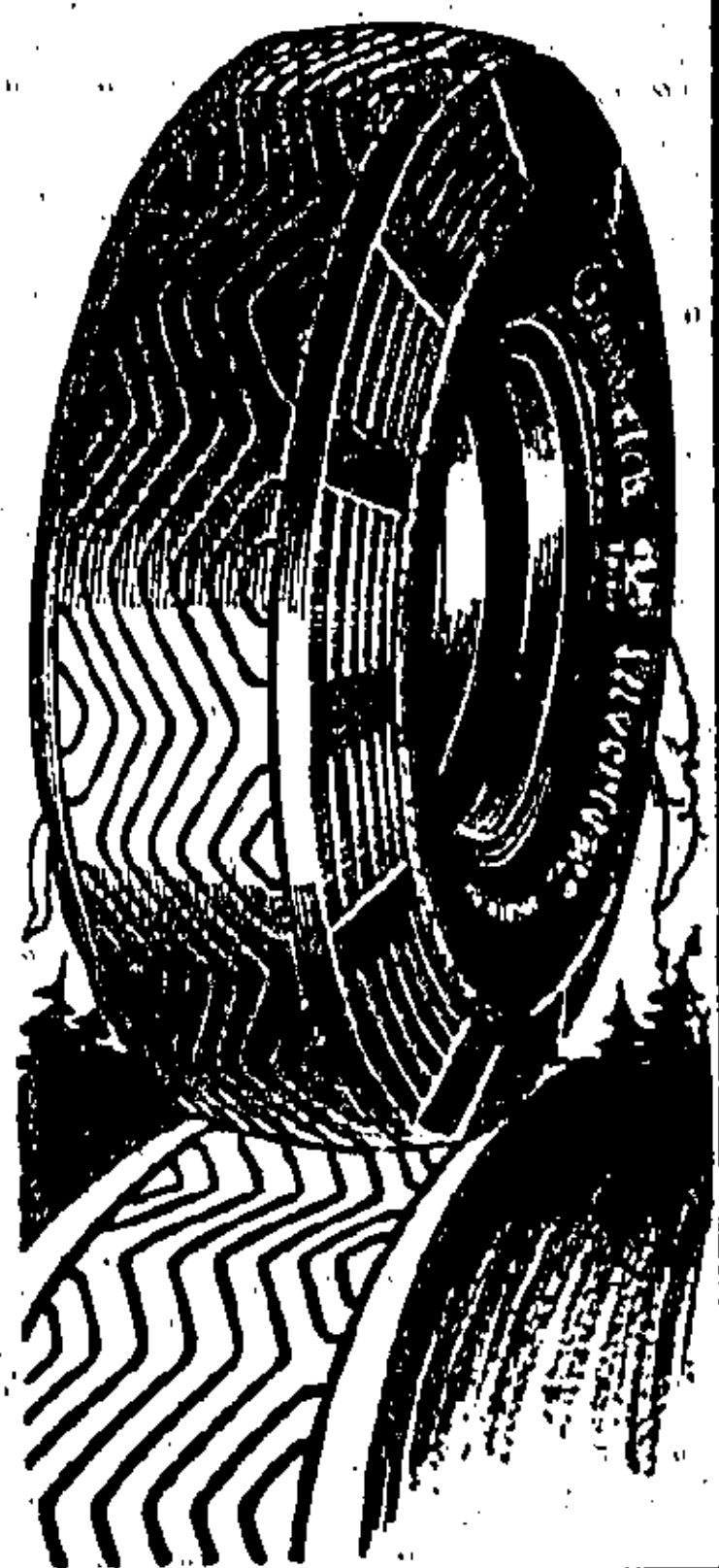
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12.30 p.m. Tina Lemis (Soprano). The Marriage of Figaro—Vanished are Ye.
12.34 p.m. Mozart—Concerto in E Flat Major.
1.00 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m. Aldershot Command Searchlight Tattoo 1935.
1.15 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.30 p.m. Dance Music.
1.35 p.m. Fox Tots. A Fine Romance: The Way You Look To-night—Ambrose and His Orch. You—Maurice Winnick and His Orch.
1.40 p.m. Relay of Rotary Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.
1.45 p.m. Professor L. Foster—“America—Some Impressions.”
2.15 p.m. Close down.
2.00 p.m. Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.
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You can't Stop me from Dreaming. (c) Goodnight My Love. (d) Row Row your Boat.
2.00 p.m. Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.05 p.m. London Relay Sir Nigel Playfair at the Lyric, Hammersmith. As illustrated History of La Comedie Anglaise from Mink Beliere to Derby Day compiled and written by Giles Playfair. Production by Gordon McConnell and Gwen Williams. The B.B.C. Theatre Chorus and Orchestra. Conducted by Alfred Reynolds.
8.00 p.m. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m. Offenbach—Galle Parisienne—Ballet Music.
8.05 p.m. London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Erem Kurtz.
8.20 p.m. Tales of Hoffman—Folies (Offenbach).
8.30 p.m. Tchaikovsky—Casse Noisette Suite.
8.35 p.m. Philadelphia Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.
8.55 p.m. Richard Crooks (Tenor). Song My Mother Taught Me (Dvorak). Mother O' Mine (Kipling—Tours).
9.00 p.m. Studio—“Melody Bee.” “Flats” v. Sharps—compared by “Eyre.”
9.30 p.m. London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m. Dance Music.
10.00 p.m. Fox Tots. Tap Your Tootsies: Celebratin'—The Krakajawith Vocal Trio. Me and the Moon—Joe Reichman and His Orchestra.
10.05 p.m. London Relay—“The City of London.”
10.10 p.m. “The Bank of England.” by the Right Hon. Montague Collet Norman, Governor of the Bank of England.
10.20 p.m. London Relay—Music Hall.
10.25 p.m. Including Murray and Mooney. Ted Ray, and the B.B.C. Variety Orchestra.
11.20 p.m. London Relay—State Visit of the President of the French Republic.
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11.10—Luncheon Music (A.)
11.30—Afternoon Musical Programme (A.)
12.30—“The Last Town in England,” by Claudine Murray (D1).
1.10—The B.B.C. Empire Symphony Concerts (D1).
1.30—Tiny Tots Session (A.)
1.45—Dinner Music (A.) d
2.20—News (D1).
2.25—Commentary on News (A.)
2.40—“The News Behind the News.” (A.)
3.00—Evening Musical Programme (A.)
3.45—“For Sailors” Programme for the Mercantile Marine (D2).
7.05—Sir Nigel Playfair at the Lyric, Hammersmith, with the B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra (D2).
8.45—Kenneth Sydney Baynes and his Orchestra (D2); “A Voice of the Past”—Enrico Caruso (H.L.).
8.50—Recorded Feature (A.)
9.00—News commentary (H.L.).
9.20—Summary of the day's news (A.)
9.30—News (D2); Report on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange (H.L.).
10.00—“The City of London”—The Bank of England. Talk by the Rt. Hon. Montagu Collet Norman, Governor (D3).
10.20—Music Hall, with the B.B.C. Variety Orchestra (D3).
11.25—State Visit of the President of the French Republic, M. Daladier (D3).
11.40—Maurice de Haze: “The Modern Troubadour” (D3).
12.00—News (D3).

THE SERVICES

LONDON GAZETTE

TUESDAY, MARCH 7

ADMIRALTY, MARCH 2

Lieut. (ret'd.) J. H. Evans, M.B.E., D.S.C., to be Lieut.-Comdr. (ret'd.) (Feb. 26).

WAR OFFICE, MARCH 7

REGULAR ARMY

The following appointments are made:—Col. (Q.M.B. 1st Cl.) P. W. M. Spence, M.C., M.L.Mech.E. R.A.O.C., to be A.D.O.S. War Office (March 1); Capt. L. P. Heard, R.E., from Staff Capt. (temp.), to be D.A.A.G. War Office (Dec. 24, 1938); Capt. R. H. G. O. Spence, O.R. and Bucks, to be Staff Capt. 5th Div. (Feb. 21); Capt. C. S. Sugden, R.E., to be G.S.O. 3rd Grade, War Office (Feb. 23); Capt. P. D. Weir, R.A., to be Staff Capt., War Office (Feb. 27); Capt. J. G. C. Waldron, Gloucester R., to be Staff Capt., War Office (Feb. 27); Capt. A. D. Clinch, K.O.Y.L.I., to be Bde. Maj., 15th Inf. Bde. (Feb. 28); Lt. G. D. B. McKean, R. Signals, to be A.D.C. to the Comdr., 5th Div. (temp.) (Jan. 1).

CAVALRY

K.D.G.—Capt. B. A. J. Peto is restd. to the estab. (Jan. 7).
The Greys—Maj. J. P. Stanton is restd. to the estab. (Jan. 18).
8th H.—Lt. D. R. W. G. Charlton is restd. for serv. under the Colonial Office (Jan. 4).
12th L.—Capt. K. C. C. Smith remains restd. for serv. on the Staff (Jan. 16).

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

Capt. P. H. L. Findlay to be Adj. Vice Maj. H. G. G. Digges (Feb. 18); R.E.M. W. S. Kelly to be Lt. (Qr-Mr.) (March 8).

Field Branch—Lt-Col. D. A. Buchan, D.S.O., is restd. to the estab. (Feb. 9); Maj. J. P. Batten, M.C., remains restd. for serv. with the T.A. (Dec. 17, 1938); Maj. A. K. Matthews is restd. whilst holding an appt. as Instr. in Gunn. (Dec. 17, 1938).

CORPS OF ROYAL ENGINEERS

Lt-Col. G. Cheetham, D.S.O., M.C., on completion of four years' serv. as Regt. Lt-Col. is removed from the regt. list and remains on full pay (emp'd.) (March 5); Maj. and Bt. Col. H. E. Moore, D.S.O., M.C., A.R.I.B.A., to be Lt-Col. (March 5); Maj. (Sur. of Works) N. Syddall resigns his commn. (March 6).

ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS

Lt-Col. C. P. Prescott, M.A., A.M.Inst. G.E., retires on ret. pay (March 6); Maj. J. C. McDonald, M.C., to be Lt-Col. (March 6); Maj. D. L. Carnegie retires on ret. pay on account of ill-health (March 6).

INFANTRY

The King's R.—Lt. U. V. Smith is restd. for serv. with the R.I.A.S.C. (Jan. 4).
The Cameronians—Maj. C. N. Barclay is restd. to the estab. (Oct. 17, 1938).
E. Surrey R.—Gen. Sir Richard P. C. Foster, K. O. B., C.M.G., D.S.O., ret. pay, late Royal Marines, is apptd. Col. (March 7), vice Maj.-Gen. Sir John R. Longley, K.C.M.G., O. B., ret. pay, who has attained the age limit for the appt.
Oxf. and Bucks. L.I.—Capt. R. H. G. O. Spence remains restd. for serv. on the Staff (Feb. 21).
R.W.K.—Lt. A. R. Fyler is restd. for serv. under the Colonial Office (Feb. 30).

K.O.Y.L.I.—Capt. A. D. Clinch is restd. for serv. on the Staff (Feb. 28).

Gordons—Maj. I. D. Brown is restd. for serv. on the Staff (Jan. 31).

ROYAL TANK CORPS

Capt. J. Windberg is restd. for serv. with the T.A. (March 5).

ROYAL ARMY SERVICE CORPS
Lt. R. A. Fuller, B.Sc., is restd. while emp'd. as an Instr., M.L. Coll. of Science (Feb. 20).

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

The foll. to be Lt.-Cols. (March 8):—Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. W. C. Harpman, M.C., Maj. Q. V. E. Wallace, M.C., M.B.

Sergt-Maj. E. E. Spring to be Lt. (Qr-Mr.) (March 8).

ROYAL ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS

The foll. to be Lts. (O.E.O. 3rd Cl.) (March 8):—Cond. Edgar Bower; Cond. William Alber Paston.

THE ARMY DENTAL CORPS

Short Service Commissions.—The foll. Lts. (on prob.) are confirmed in their rank:—V. Vella-Grech, with seny. next below J. B. Burgess; G. Perryman, with seny. next below P. R. W. Harvey; J. C. Rothwell, with seny. next below J. H. French; J. F. E. Leake; T. H. H. Wilson; E. Ferguson; I. L. Taylor.

The foll. Lts. to be Capt. (March 7) in the following order of seniority:—V. Vella-Grech; J. B. Burgess; V. Vella-Grech; V. J. McGowan.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE

Sister Miss N. E. S. McCrea resigns her appt. (March 8).

The foll. Staff Nurses to be Sisters:—Miss M. A. Lawson (Jan. 8); Miss A. N. Smith (Jan. 14); Miss S. M. Greaves (Jan. 17); Miss G. E. Jones (Jan. 19).

The foll. provl. Staff Nurses are confirmed in their appts.:—Miss E. D. Pedler, Miss E. J. Davis, Miss B. Le Blanc Smith.

ESTABLISHMENTS

Sch. of Art.—Maj. (now temp. Lt.-Col.) T. A. J. P. Batten, M.C., R.A., relinquishes the appt. as Instr. in Gunn. (Dec. 17, 1938).

R.A.M. Coll.—Lt.-Col. A. G. Biggum, O.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.P., K.H.F., R.A.M.C., relinquishes the appt. of Asst. Professor of Tropical Medicine (March 13); Lt.-Col. S. Smith, M.B., F.R.C.P., R.A.M.C., to be Asst. Professor of Tropical Medicine (March 3).

MEMORANDA

Capt. R. H. D. Forbes (late temp. Capt., R.A.S.C.) relinquishes the rank of Capt. on enlistment in the Aux. Air Force (May 27, 1938). Capt. W. W. Roger (late Capt., H.L.I. (Spec. Res.)) relinquishes the rank of Capt. on enlistment in the Aux. Air Force (June 7); Lt. S. Ruddick (late temp. Lt., “March R.” (T.A.)) relinquishes the rank of Lt. on enlistment in the T.A. (March 8); E. Carr (late Lt., R. North's Fus. (Spec. Res.)) is granted the rank of Lt. (March 8).

THE ARMY

VISIT TO U.S. PORTS

On her way out to Australia after transfer to the Commonwealth Navy, the cruiser Amphion is to visit United States ports. She is expected to be at New York for about two weeks in the first half of August, and at San Francisco for about 10 days in the middle of September.

The purchase by the Commonwealth Government of the Amphion is due to take effect in July, when she will be renamed the Perth. She is a sister-ship of the Apollo, transferred on September 28 last and renamed the Hobart.

The Amphion is at present refitting at Portsmouth, with Lieutenant-Commander R. R. Airey, who was gunnery officer during her last commission on the Africa Station, in command. On May 3 she will be succeeded in command by Commander W. L. G. Adams, from the Naval Intelligence Division.

INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

Commander P. J. C. Halahan, D.S.O., will join the Naval Intelligence Division for duty in succession to Commander T. N. S. E. E. E.

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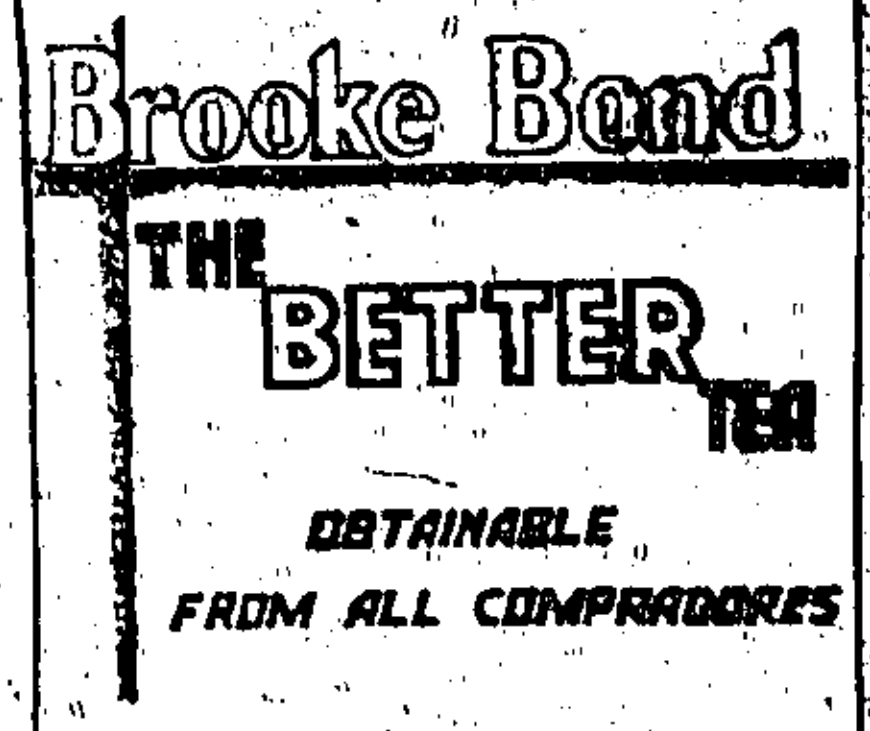
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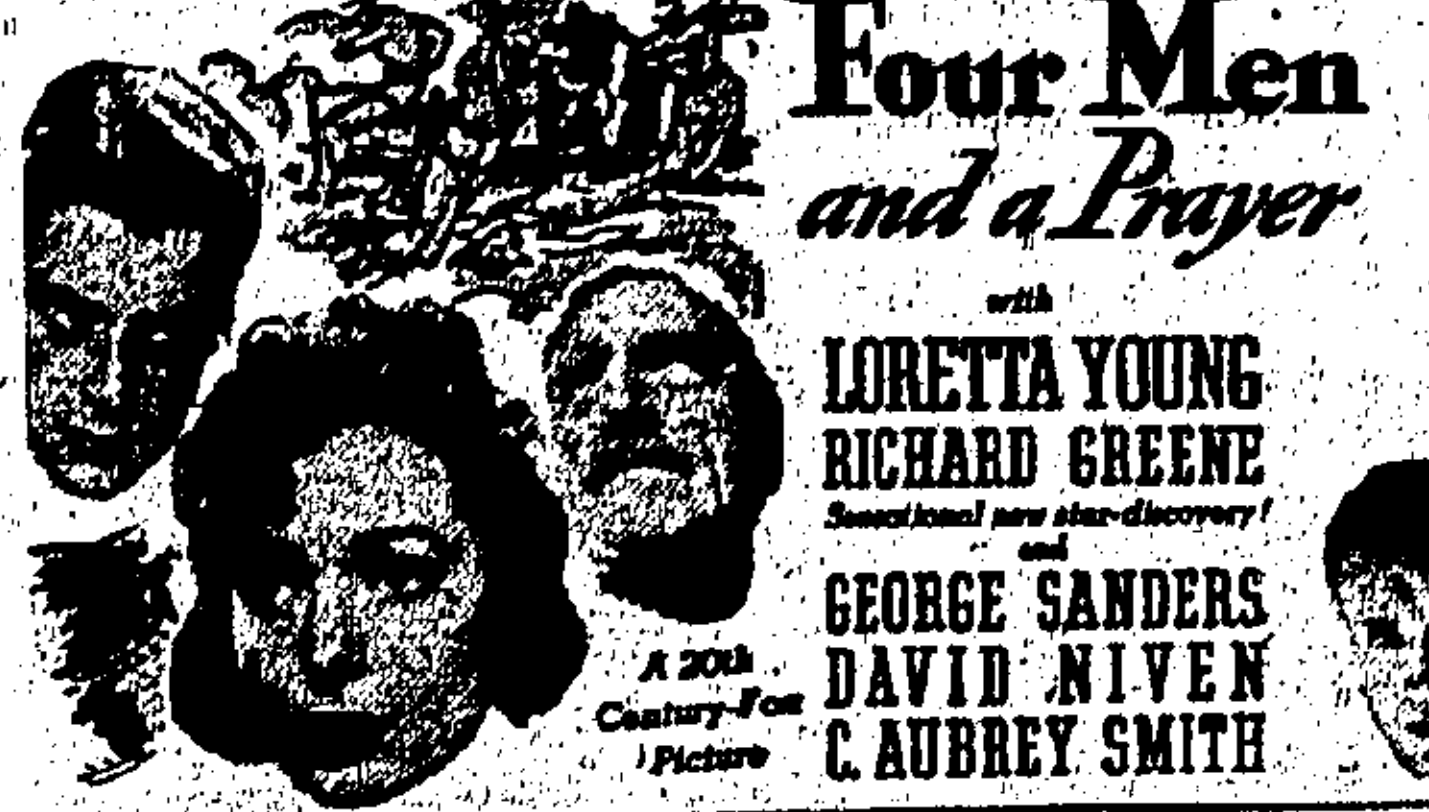
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ORIENTAL: "If I Were King"
CATHAY: "Passport Husband"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA: "Young Fugitives"
STAR: "Four Men And A Prayer"
MAJESTIC: "Penrod's Double Trouble"

Coming

KING'S: "Marie Antoinette"
QUEEN'S: "The Citadel"
ORIENTAL: "Stella Dallas"
CATHAY: "The Good Earth"
ALHAMBRA: "A Slight Case of Murder"
STAR: "You're A Sweetheart"
MAJESTIC: "The Last Gangster"

"PENROD'S DOUBLE TROUBLE"

Those two most valuable ingredients of motion picture entertainment—humour and excitement—are both present in copious measure in "Penrod's Double Trouble," which opens at the Majestic Theatre to-day.

It is also the second in which the uncannily similar Mauch twins are co-starred, and again they demonstrate that two heads are better than one.

The leading roles are played by Billy Mauch as Penrod and brother Bobby as Danny, and they are ably supported by Jackie Morrow as Rodney Blits and ebony-hued Phillip Hurlie as Vermin, as well as a large group of lesser-known boy and girl actors.

Long considered, Hollywood's premier director of child actors, Lewis Seiler proves anew his right to that distinction with his direction of "Penrod's Double Trouble."

Ciro's Shuts By Candle Light

Jack Harris, the dance-band leader, and his wife—abs in tears—sat by candle-light in the cocktail bar of Ciro's Club, Orange-street, W., on March 1, four hours after a receiver had been called in and the club closed. It may re-open in a few days.

Creditors, and the receiver, who had earlier roamed across the club's deep carpets, had gone. A solitary candle, standing in a porcelain ashtray, flickered shadows on the delicate pastel shades of the paint-work. The electric light had been cut off.

Jack Harris said: "After Peter Ratazzi, the manager, obtained \$2,100 1/2 damages against the club for wrongful dismissal, all the company's creditors turned up here."

LAWRENCE TIBBETT A "PENDULUM"

"Just call me 'Pendulum,'" said noted baritone and operatic star, Lawrence Tibbett, as he rushed from train to plane at Pittsburgh recently.

The new name, Tibbett explained, will fit in well with his new contract which keeps him, he says, swinging from coast to coast like a transcontinental shuttlecock.

"I'm on my way to Los Angeles to sing on a radio programme Sunday evening," he added. "Then I've got to be back in New York for a rehearsal Tuesday night."

The radio programme in the West Coast calls for his appearance on 16 of 28 programmes, and in between, "Pendulum" pointed out, he must swing back and forth to and from New York to squeeze in his other work.

"I was raised more or less in the horse-and-buggy era, and I still can't believe I can scoot back and forth across the continent like this."

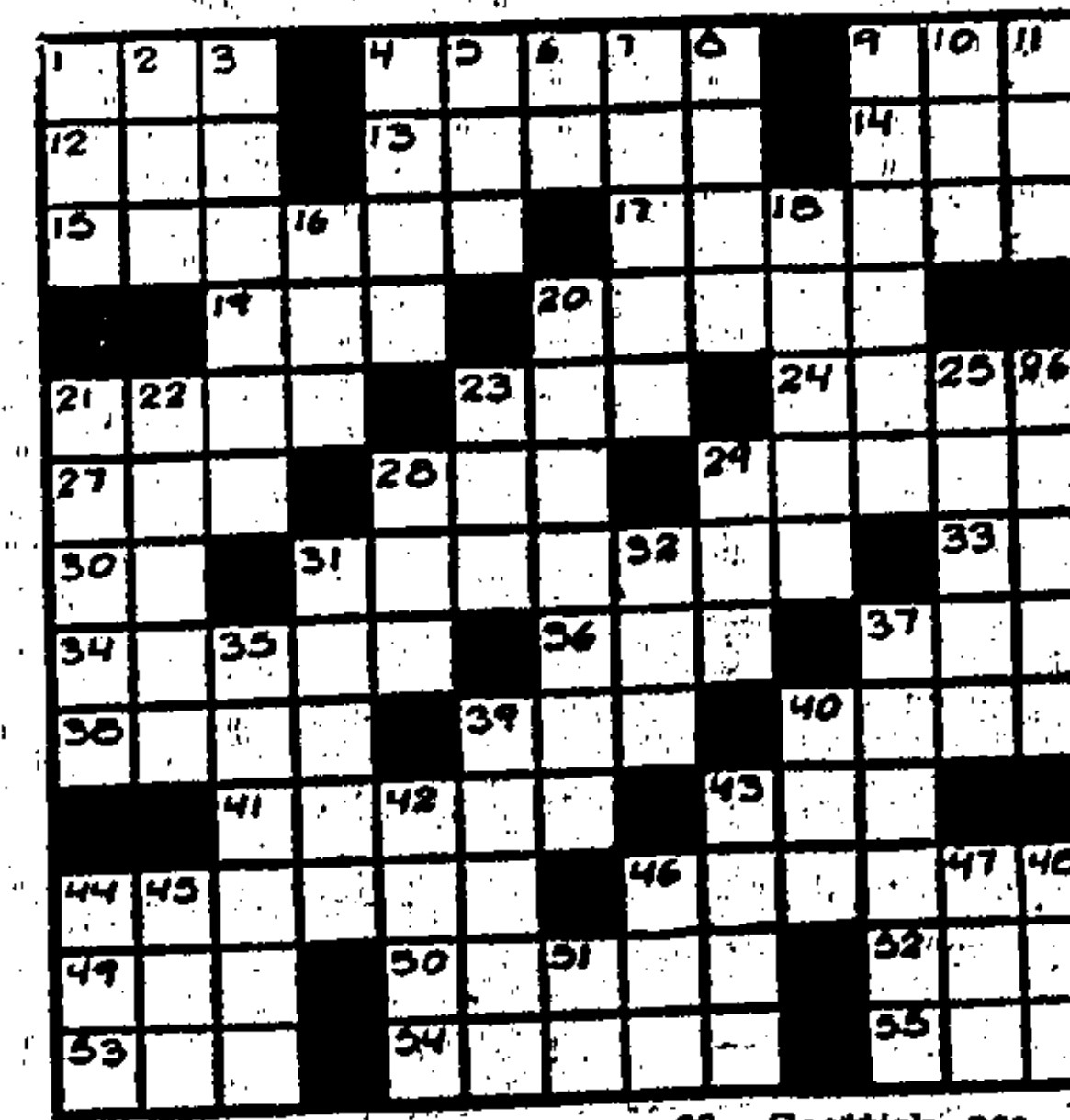
CLAN CHIEF IS ILL

"Sir Iain Colquhoun, the 52-years-old chief of his clan, and Lord Lieutenant of Dumfriesshire, was reported to be critically ill in the Henry Brook Hospital, Alexandria, Dumfriesshire. Lady Colquhoun returned from London.

Sir Iain, a former amateur boxer, is chairman of the National Advisory Council for Scotland on physical training, and was Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 1932.

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- Member of an Indian tribe
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- Convert into leather
- High in the scale
- Is carried
- Special abilities
- Analysed grammatically
- Growing out
- Scottish cap
- Threadlike structure
- Abounds
- Downcast
- Siamese coin
- Stratum
- Negative
- Printing mistakes
- Matured germ cell
- Take illegally
- Existed
- Short distance
- Possessive pronoun
- Period
- Tin receptacle
- Moisture on plants
- Beam
- Blind
- Depart

SOLUTION TO-MORROW

PLAYWRIGHT WINS CASE

London After Dark
Film Rights

Judgment for Mr. Walter Hackett, the playwright, with costs, was given in the King's Bench Division in an action against him concerning the film rights of his play, "London After Dark."

The plaintiffs, Excelstor Film Production Ltd., maintained that they had secured the rights through an agreement reached on Feb. 8, 1938, with O'Brien, Linnit and Dunfee Ltd., Mr. Hackett's agents in the matter.

Mr. Hackett denied that the agents had any authority to accept the offer made by the film company, and contended that any agreement made was not a concluded bargain.

He also pleaded that just prior to the alleged agreement he disposed of the film rights for 10 years to Gainsborough Pictures (1938) Ltd. on the terms that he should receive £1,000 down and £1,000 from the profits of the film. Those terms were similar to the terms which the plaintiffs alleged, were agreed by them with Mr. Hackett's agents.

NO BARGAIN
Mr. Justice Lawrence found that the agents had no authority to conclude a contract of sale on Mr. Hackett's behalf, and that there was no concluded bargain.

In his view Mr. Hackett had said he would "see the plaintiffs' cheque and agreement first," and, when a proposal was sent by the plaintiffs it contained the provision that the agents were to hold the £1,000 as trustees pending the carrying out of the legal formalities.

In those circumstances the plaintiffs' claim for specific performance or damages failed. In the event of his being wrong in his finding, the judge assessed the damages which might be payable to the plaintiffs at £1,000.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TO-DAY

ANNIVERSARIES AND HOLIDAYS
—Sir Ralph Abercromby died. 1301. Vernal Equinox (Ch'un-fen). St. Benedict.

CINEMAS—(See Column 3 of this Page)

LECTURES—Gas Chamber Demonstration at Volunteer Hqs., 4.20 p.m.; A.R.P., Maryknoll Convent School, 4 p.m.; Lualaba Club, 5.30 p.m.; European Y.M.C.A., 6 p.m.; La Salle College, 6 p.m.; Anti-Gas V. A. Course, Volunteer Hqs., 10.30 a.m.; U.S.R. Club, 11 a.m.; Diocesan Junior Girls' School, 6 p.m.

MAILS—(See Page 16).

MEETINGS—Rotary Meeting, Hongkong Hotel, 1 p.m.; Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.; Annual of the Salvation Army Home for Women and Girls, at 2 Embankment Road, Kowloon, 4.30 p.m.; St. Andrew's Church Council, 6 p.m.; Annual of Hongkong Baseball League, at the Brook Club, 5.30 p.m.; Ladies' Church Aid, in Assembly Hall, 8 & 9 Home, 3 p.m.; St. Andrew's Church Brownie Pack, 3.30 p.m.; MISCELLANEOUS—Y.M.C.A. Women's Section Charity Sewing Bee, 10 a.m.

MOON—Jewish New Moon. Chinese II Moon, 1st Day. New Moon, 9.48 a.m.

RELIGIOUS—St. Andrew's Confirmation Class (Young Women) 5.15 p.m.; Fellowship and Prayer Meeting at 8 and 9 Home, 8 p.m.

SOCIAL—Cheero Club Whist Drive, 8.45 p.m.; Craigengower Cricket Club Weekly Tombola, 8 p.m.

SPORTS—(See Page 2).

SUNRISE—6.27 a.m. SUNSET—6.34 p.m.

TO-MORROW

MISCELLANEOUS—Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.; MOON—Chinese II Moon, 2nd Day. SUNRISE—6.28 a.m. SUNSET—6.34 p.m.

TIDES—High at 09.29 and 21.15.

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WOMEN'S PAGE



WEDDING DRINKS "LIKE MANNA"

Bridegroom Denies He Fetched Them

Drinks for a wedding party that "appeared like manna from Heaven" were alluded to at Clerkenwell County Court recently.

Mrs. Jessie Chisholm Hicks, a widow, of the Kenilworth Castle, Cambridge-road, Kilburn, sued Charles F. Allen, of Allington-street, Islington, for £3 6s.

She said that on the day of his wedding Allen came into the Island Queen, Islington, of which she was then licensee, and took away beer, wine and spirits to the value of £3 6s.

Replying to Mr. Registrar Friend, Mrs. Hicks said that Allen came in between one and two p.m. The wedding was at three.

The Registrar: I see. He came in to get a little Dutch courage to help him through the ceremony.

Allen: I did not have a drink at all before the ceremony.

The Registrar: This young man says that for the first time he chasteely salute his wife as a bride he did not wish to smell of liquor.

"CHARLIE" AND "JESSIE"

Allen said that he was in the Island Queen only near closing time on the wedding night. He went in with "some of the boys," who clubbed together for refreshments. None of them took any drink to the house.

The Registrar: Then where did



Snapped at the Annual Race meeting at the Valley. (Photo by Leica).

it come from?—It must have come in after time if it came at all.

The Registrar, to Mrs. Hicks: He says that the drinks for the wedding appeared like manna from Heaven in a miraculous way.

When Allen denied a visit which Mrs. Hicks said she had made to ask for the money, Mrs. Hicks exclaimed, "Oh, Charlie."

The Registrar: You mean Mr. Allen. If we let things go on on such intimate lines, we never know where we shall end. I should go myself into serious trouble if I called you Jessie.

Later the Registrar remarked to Allen: "Don't you think you should round up 'the boys' and ask them where the drinks came from? You see, after the ceremony was over, you may not have known or cared where it came from."

Allen: I was sober before I was married, and sober afterwards.

The Registrar: Most of us are sober afterwards.

TUESDAY'S MENU

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Coffee

LUNCHEON

Cream of Pea Soup
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Steamed Rice
String Beans
Hot Biscuits
Chocolate Custard
Tea

DINNER

Crab Cocktail
Clear Onion Soup
Avocado Pear & Persimmon Salad
Squab Stuffed with
Ham and Pistachio Nuts
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SAME BREAKFAST FOR 23 YEARS

"Sure I eat the same breakfast every morning. Why not? I like it," said Helmer Sandgren, Kansas City shoe metal worker. Sandgren gained attention when Ripley, in his Believe-It-Or-Not, mentioned that the metal worker had eaten the same breakfast for 23 years.

Each morning he sits down to a dish of cereal, always the same, two raw eggs in a pint of milk, 21 pancakes and a cup of coffee.

"It's a large breakfast, but I need it," Sandgren explained. "I work hard as a metal worker and I need a big breakfast. The men working with me are hungry at 10:30. That's because they don't eat enough."

Sandgren started the breakfast diet a year after he became married. In order to insure his pancakes on time Mrs. Sandgren has a special griddle turning out seven cakes at a time.



The Chief Justice and Lady MacGregor at the Annual Race meeting recently. (Photo by Leica).

FASHION DEMANDS JEWELLERY

Wear sham jewellery, lots of it and in large pieces. Combine this with soft, clinging fabrics of barbaric colouring.

That will be the fashion for spring, according to Robert Kalloch, designer at Columbia Studio, who is at present creating new clothes for Jean Arthur to wear in "Plane No. 4," in which she co-stars with Cary Grant.

"Jewellery this spring will assume the guise of a gadget," said Kalloch. "It will work. For example, if you choose an amusing little clown to decorate your lapel, you will wind it up and not only will it enhance your costume, but dance and perhaps play a little tune. Jewels will not pretend to be precious, they will definitely be sham."

"The beauty of this type of ornamentation is that every one can purchase it. The true test will be the daring and original types chosen and the manner in which they are combined with costumes. Spring fabrics will be soft and clinging and in combinations of three and sometimes four brilliant colours. The printed motifs will coincide with the barbaric and amusing jewellery which they are chosen to set off."

"Hilarious is the only word to express the feeling of the coming spring fashions," concluded the designer.

THE FIRST AIR WOMAN

Mrs. Lella Cody, widow of "Colonel Cody," the "king of cowboys," died recently in England at her home at Ash Vale, near Aldershot, at the age of 87.

She was said to be the first woman in the world to fly. In 1901 she went up in a man-lifting war kite, on which her husband worked at the Crystal Palace.

Her first flight was made in 1906 in a plane designed and piloted by her husband.

Mrs. Cody, daughter of a noted horse-breeder, met King Edward VII, then Prince of Wales, when she was ten.

She used to describe how as a little girl she ran into him in Buckingham Palace yard, and how he took her on his knee and nursed her.

Round About

The coffee shop was practically deserted but for a group of five men sitting together conversing in low undertones.

One of the party leaves the table and steps to a pay telephone. He calls his number and inserts ten cents in the money box. The usual clicking and jangling sounds accompanying this procedure are absent.

His conversation over the phone is interrupted by the telephone operator inquiring for his money.

The man replies, "I put ten cents in the box, it did not ring, now wait a minute, I will put ten cents more in the box," and he inserts another coin. Still there is no registering of the money paid into the box. He resumes his conversation with his friend, once more the operator interrupts him.

"Please listen closely, madam, I have put twenty cents in this blasted box, here goes another ten cent piece," still the man's coin does not register. "Now, see it did not make a noise," he continued to explain.

Finishing his conversation, he calls the operator on the telephone: "You will send me twenty cents to-morrow, please. I do not intend to pay thirty cents for a phone call or is this a slot-machine?" Hanging up the receiver he returns to his friends, totally unaware that the operator does not know him from "Adam," nor his address.



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Answer:.....

3. A man is climbing a ladder. In what rd. does he appear?

Answer:.....

4. Name the agents for Goodrich Tyres

Answer:.....

5. Where are Norma Shearer and Tyrone Power appearing?

Answer:.....

6. At what hour will the annual general meeting of St. George's Society be held?

Answer:.....

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NEWSETTES

Invitations have been issued to only a few friends to attend the launching of a 2,500-ton vessel, the Pulagi, on March 30.

The 70th ordinary yearly meeting of the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., will be held in the head office of the company, Union Building, at 11.20 a.m. on April 21.

The 73rd ordinary yearly meeting of the British Traders Insurance Co., Ltd., is to be held in the Union Building at 11.25 a.m. on April 21.

Mr. Mok Wah-ngok, son of Mr. Mok Hing, Treasurer of the South China Athletic Association, will be leaving for Kunning in a couple of days to continue his studies.

Mr. C. S. Wu, managing director of Jensen Co., Ltd., who returned from Chungking a few days ago, will be leaving for Szechuen to-morrow.

The ordinary yearly meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., will be held in the head office of the company, Union Building, at 11 a.m. on April 21.

At a meeting of the North Borneo Chamber of Commerce the Hon. Mr. F. W. Pinnock was elected representative of the Chamber on the Rubber Control Assessment Committee.

The annual athletic sports of the Wah Yan College will be held on the South China Athletic Association ground, Caroline Hill, on Thursday, Mar. 23, commencing at 1 p.m. The Director of Education, Mr. C. G. Sillis, has kindly consented to give away the prizes.

Mr. H. Y. Yang spoke at the China Society in London on Feb. 18 on "The Early Myths of the Yellow Emperor." The annual dinner of the society was held at Rhodes House on Feb. 22. The Warden of All Souls was in the chair and the Chinese Ambassador and Madame Quo the principal guests.

The Nanyang Tobacco Co. is to establish a factory in Tientsin, near Chungking. Over 300 tons of tobacco leaf have already been transported to Chungking and the factory is expected to open about the middle of March.

Following the departure of H. M. S. Kent to Singapore from Bangkok, Sir Percy Noble wirelessed to the Premier of Siam expressing hopes for his speedy recovery to normal health, and thanking him for the exceptional kindness received by all ranks during the course of their four-day visit.

The Wuhan songsters after a series of successful concerts staged in the various local theatres in Singapore, will give a presentation of the famous Chinese play "Eve" in collaboration with the Singapore Yip-Yu Dramatic Society on March 31, April 1 and 2.

The marriage took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday of Mr. Fung On, accountant, of No. 175 Fa Yuen Street, Kowloon, and Miss Grace Wong, of No. 1 Fook Luk Lane. Mr. T. J. Gould Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated, and the witnesses were Mr. S. H. Lei and Mrs. Ha May Chan.

Profiting from the Spring Festival Holidays, the Chinese city of New York collected \$400,000 for the purchase of 100 ambulances to be sent to the Central Government of China. A procession was organized and was led by an effigy of the classical Chinese lion, pulled through the beflagged streets of Chinatown while more than 20,000 people looked on.

Mr. Alan Laidlaw, together with Mrs. Laidlaw and son, arrived in Shanghai in the President Pierce to resume his duties in the Freight Department of the American President Lines. Mr. Laidlaw and family returned from home-leave spent in the United States, previous to which Mr. Laidlaw was temporarily attached to the Hong-kong Office of the American President Lines.

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TERRITORIES' ROBBERY SEQUEL AT SESSIONS

Chief Justice Orders "Cat" For One Accused

MAN YING and CHEUNG KUEN, CHARGED BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR ATHOLL MACGREGOR, AT THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS YESTERDAY with committing, with others not in custody, a robbery in Sheung Shui Wei Village, New Territories, in the early hours of January 29, were found guilty and sentenced to four years' hard labour each.

First accused was further sentenced to four strokes of the "cat." His Lordship emphasizing that it was his intention to inflict corporal punishment, whenever the health of a prisoner permitted it, in order to stamp out the campaign of robberies with violence that existed in the Colony.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and the following jury heard the case:—Messrs. F. C. Mowfung (foreman), Ng Chun-wah, J. A. Pereira, O. el Arculli, L. Ghaddi, Fung Tsun and Chan Wei-yuk.

The two men were accused of robbing a 48-year-old married woman, Yiu Yuk-sing, of \$105 Hongkong currency, \$300.40 Chinese currency, two razors, some pieces of jewellery, six dried ducks, two dried fish and a bottle of brandy, and of robbing the woman's daughter, Chau Pui-ying, of \$160 Hongkong currency, \$2,002 Chinese currency, a suitcase, a wrist watch and other articles.

Outlining the case, Mr. Prentis said the house which was robbed consisted of the ground floor, with a teng and a cubicle, and a cockloft. The place was occupied on the night in question by the woman Yiu Yuk-sing, her daughters, Chau Pui-ying, 21, and Chau Mui-lan, 13, two 14-year-old boys and two small children. Yiu Yuk-sing, Chau Mui-lan and one of the boys slept on the ground floor, and the others slept in the cockloft.

COVERED WITH QUILT

About 3 a.m. there was a noise of the house being broken into, and then five men entered. Two men went up to the old woman and covered her with a quilt, while three men went to the cockloft. The house was ransacked and the articles stated were stolen. Among the stolen articles were a \$100 note of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and two open-type razors.

On February 1 the old woman went with a detective to Un Long and on the road saw a man whom she identified as first accused, who was searched and was found to be in possession of over \$300. First

SALE OF CROWN LAND

Four Kowloon Lots Purchased

Four lots of Crown land, situated in Kowloon, were put up for auction at the Crown Land Sale yesterday.

New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2850, at Fuk Wing Street, Cheung Sha Wan, containing an area of about 7,000 square feet, was sold to Mr. Lee Chee-on, on behalf of Miss Li Ham, residing at No. 30, Bonham Strand East, second floor, for \$5,300.

The Amoy Canning Corporation, Ltd., Ngau Tau Kok, purchased New Kowloon Lot No. 2860, situated in Ngau Shi-wan, for \$12,080. The lot contains an area of about 30,400 square feet. The upset price was \$6,080.

Mr. Yau Kwam-fe, of the Tai Hang Rubber Factory, No. 1, Yen Chau Street, was the purchaser of New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2861, for \$20,000. The lot contains an area of 30,000 square feet and is situated at Tonkin Street. There were no bidders.

Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4124, situated at the junction of Chatham Road and Kiang Hsi Street, containing an area of about 1,255 square feet, was sold to Mr. Cheng Kwai-chung, of No. 493, Chatham Road, for \$1,555.

TRIBUTE TO BRITISH NAVY IN CANTON

CANTON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—As an expression of their gratitude for the strenuous and successful efforts of the British Navy to save Shamen from being reduced to ashes during the fire during the critical days of last October, a silver plaque has been presented to the Commander of the West River Flotilla by the members of the British Association in Canton.

The presentation took place on the Tarantula on the eve of that gunboat's departure for Hongkong for recommissioning and was made by Mr. A. E. Smith, the local Manager of Jardine, Matheson and Co., and, President of the Association.

It will be recalled that at the end of October, when Canton City resembled one vast raging inferno, British blue-jackets and Shamen residents kept watch day and night in order to prevent the buildings on the island from catching fire.

RECONSTRUCTION EFFORTS

A Japanese spokesman to-day referred to the reconstruction efforts being made in Canton.

He declared that a regular commercial air line between Canton and Formosa would be inaugurated shortly, that the Chinese-owned Tungkwang Sugar Factory, the largest of its kind in South China, would resume operations under the auspices of the Japan Sugar Association and that road construction in the suburbs of the city was being pushed forward with great vigour.

ARMS CASES AT SESSIONS

Without retiring, a jury consisting of Messrs. W. C. Kalliey (foreman), C. E. Rodrigues, Yau Hing-wai, E. D. Le Bruce, C. E. Barros, A. L. G. Eastman and C. A. dos Remedios, returned a unanimous verdict of guilty against Cheng Choi, charged at the Criminal Sessions yesterday before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, with unlawful possession of arms and ammunition.

Defendant pleaded not guilty. Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, who prosecuted, said that accused was arrested as the result of a raid carried out by police on February 2 at No. 23 Stone Nullah Lane.

Mr. Prentis stated that accused had no previous conviction.

His Lordship passed sentence of 18 months' hard labour.

LOITERING ON ROOF

Found guilty of unlawful possession of a revolver and five rounds of ammunition and loitering for an unlawful purpose on the roof of No. 292 Hennessy Road, on February 2, Wong Ah-mo, 32, and Wong Siu-mo, 24, unemployed seamen, were each yesterday sentenced by Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell at the Criminal Sessions to three years' hard labour.

Mr. M. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and the jury comprised Messrs. A. C. Jeffreys (foreman), Poon Kwong-ho, Wong Man-kit, J. E. Newlin, A. J. Brown, Fan Chi-kuen and A. J. de Castro Basto.

FRENCH CONVENT ENTERTAINMENT

Monday afternoon was the final performance of the two plays "Alice in Wonderland" and "The Three Sisters," produced by the pupils of the French Convent at Causeway Bay.

The attendance has been very pleasing since the opening last Thursday, and though no definite figure of the amount collected has been made public, the committee is quite satisfied with the financial results. The funds from the three performances will be turned over to the Catholic Truth Society of Hongkong.

EUROPEAN SUMMONED AT CENTRAL

Sequel To Motor Collision

DRINK ALLEGED

Three persons were injured and sent to the Queen Mary Hospital when a car and a motor cycle collided at Bonham Road on February 22.

There was a sequel to the accident before Mr. E. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday, when A. G. Hargreave, of the Imperial Chemical Industries (China) Ltd., driver of the motor car, was summoned for driving while under the influence of drink to such an extent as to be incapable of having proper control of the vehicle, and failing to drive with due care and caution, having regard to all circumstances of the case.

He was represented by Mr. F. G. Nigel who pleaded not guilty.

Traffic Inspector S. C. Saunders told the Court that shortly after 1 p.m. on the day in question, defendant was driving a private car along Bonham Road in a westerly direction, while Mr. Woo Kam-tai, driver of the motor cycle, with a passenger on the pillion seat, was coming from the opposite direction.

When nearing King's College, Mr. Woo alleged that the defendant drove obliquely across the road, and though both parties swerved in an attempt to avoid an accident, they collided with each other.

DR. VALENTINE TESTIFIES

Dr. D. J. Valentine, Deputy Director of Medical Service, stationed at Queen Mary Hospital, said that he saw the defendant being supported by a European into the casualty room and before the medical officer on duty arrived he made an examination of the defendant's condition. He found a small punctured wound on his left wrist and the defendant's breath smelt of alcohol. The alcohol was sufficient to influence his driving.

Dr. Valentine further said that it was not a bad state of intoxication. He would term it a mild case of intoxication, but the drink was sufficient to affect judgment.

Cross-examined by Mr. Nigel, Dr. Valentine agreed that symptoms of shock were similar to that of drunkenness. Most of the symptoms were consistent with shock.

Dr. P. R. T. Naidu, officer in charge of the casualty room, said that when he examined the defendant on admission he found his eyes were red and had some tear drops. The cheeks were flushed and pulse were rapid. Defendant's breath smelt of alcohol. Witness further stated that he carried out a test on the defendant who failed completely. Defendant was asked to walk by himself in a straight line, but fell and had to be supported when he had walked only two steps.

After cross-examination, the hearing was adjourned till Thursday afternoon.

AIRPORT NEWS

Imperial Airways:—

SOUTHBOUND
Tuesday: Hanol, Bangkok.
Delphinus—7.30 a.m.

NORTHBOUND
Tuesday: Bangkok, Hanol, Hongkong.
Dorado, Delhi—4 and 5 p.m.

Wednesday: Bangkok, Hanol, Hongkong.
Delphinus—5 p.m.

Air France:—
NORTHBOUND
Thursday: France, Hanol, Hongkong.
Service—1 p.m.

Pan American Airways:—
EASTBOUND
Friday: U.S.A., Manila, Hongkong.
Boeing Clipper—noon.

WESTBOUND
Saturday: Manila, San Francisco.
Boeing Clipper—8.30 a.m.



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FOUR JAPANESE SOLDIERS KILLED IN NANTAO

An explosion which occurred on the former Public Recreation Ground in Ta Chi Road, Nantao, on Mar. 14 killed four Japanese soldiers and wounded several others, according to people coming from Nantao quoted by the Chinese evening papers in Shanghai.

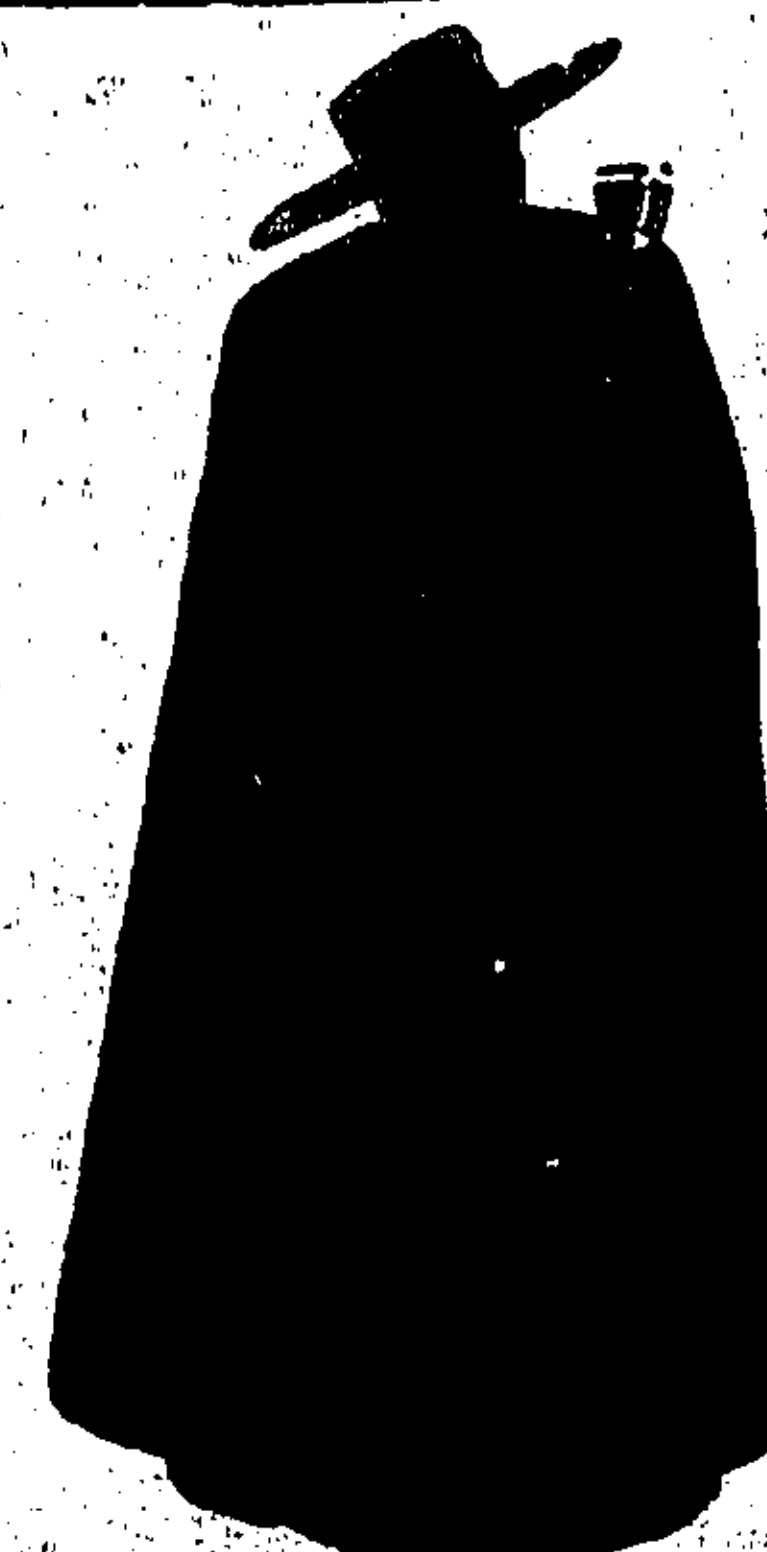
It was said that a small company of Japanese soldiers was stationed at the scene of explosion. At about 9 a.m. on Mar. 14, ten Japanese soldiers were having morning exercises on the ground when they saw a grenade. Some of them rushed up to examine it but it exploded killing four of them outright and wounding several others.

It is believed that the missile had been put there by guerrillas.

UNLICENSED DRIVER BEFORE COURT

As a result of a traffic accident which occurred at King's Road on Saturday when a lorry was overturned, Ng Lau-man, 23, a garage fitter, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday with driving without licence. He appeared on a bail of \$50 and was fined \$20.

Inspector Russell, who prosecuted, told the Court that following the report of the accident, a traffic officer was sent to the scene and defendant failed to produce his licence on request. The licensed driver who was besides defendant, would be summoned in connection with the mishap.



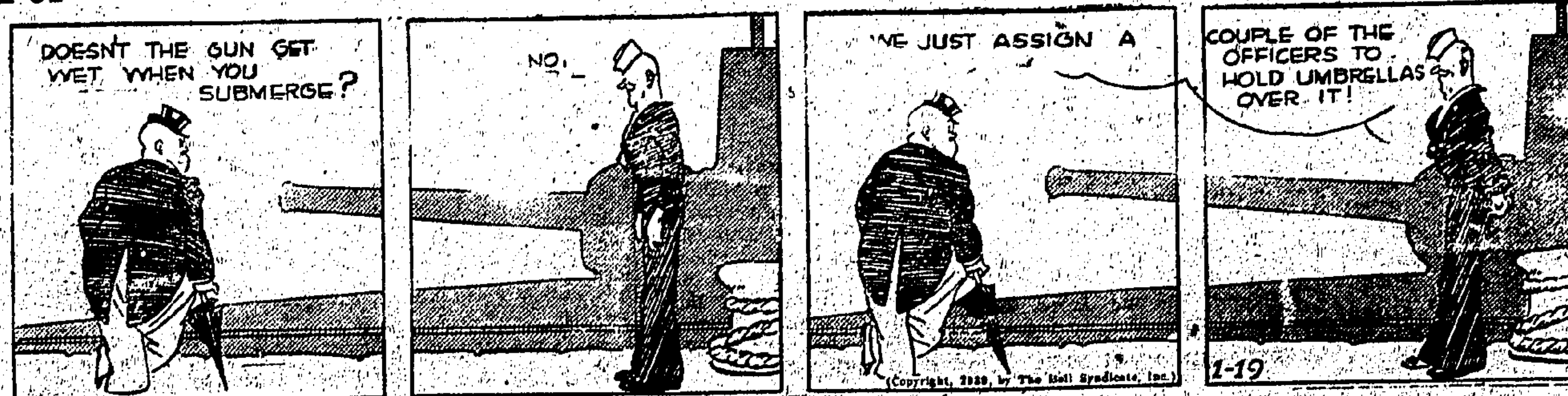
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONG KONG.

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the Board Room of The Hong Kong Jockey Club, 1st floor, Exchange Building, on FRIDAY, 31ST MARCH, 1939, at 5.30 p.m.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Secretaries & Treasurers.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th MARCH, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.

Hong Kong, 4th March, 1939.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

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General Managers,
The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, 3rd March, 1939.

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4% DEBENTURES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT INTEREST for the six months ending 31ST MARCH, 1939, on the above DEBENTURES will be payable at the OFFICES of the COMPANY ON THAT DATE.

THE REGISTER OF DEBENTURES will be closed from SATURDAY, the 25TH MARCH, 1939, to FRIDAY, the 31ST MARCH, 1939, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of DEBENTURES can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

O. EAGER,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 18th March, 1939.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONG KONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 27th March, 1939, at Noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1938. The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 16th to 27th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 1st March, 1939.

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GUERRILLA WAR ON ALL FRONTS

CHINA'S STRATEGY for the second period of the Sino-Japanese hostilities was decided upon at an important military conference held in Chungking, and army commanders who attended were given specific instructions regarding the prosecution of guerrilla warfare, as well as counter-measures against Japanese political and economic penetration. The Chinese are, from now on, to take the initiative in a guerrilla war on all fronts against the invaders, who have now penetrated far into the interior of China and who will find that their mad adventure will prove more and more costly in both life and money as each day passes.

HUGE CHINESE forces are already massed at certain vantage points to start a wide encircling movement against their enemy, while in Hopen Shan, Chahar and Suiyuan and in the areas along the Peking-Hankow and Canton-Hankow Railways well co-ordinated mobile warfare will be started.

POSITIONALLY, China has been losing ground steadily. Vast tracts of her territory have been over-run by soldiers from the country now known as "World Enemy No. 1"; many once-prosperous cities and towns have been reduced to ruins; hundreds of thousands of her most promising manhood have been sacrificed on the battlefield; and millions of civilians have been killed, crippled or rendered destitute. But, apart from a handful of renegades who constitute the puppet regimes, precariously kept in being by the bayonets of the invaders, no Chinese citizen worthy of the name, be he from the Government, the fighting forces, or the people, has yet been heard to beg for quarter. And no quarter will be given.

IT IS NOT that the Chinese nation, even at this stage of hostilities, would not welcome any opportunity that might offer itself for the conclusion of an honourable peace, but because China is determined to secure reparation for the wrongs she has suffered in the past, and obtain absolute guarantees of political independence and territorial integrity, the minimum that any self-respecting nation could demand. The Japanese



Considering the pros and cons of their choice at the Fanning Races at Kwant. (Photo by Leica).

GENERALISSIMO THANKED

CHUNGKING, Mar 20 (Central) Lord Cecil and M. Pierre Cot, Joint Presidents of the International Peace Campaign, have sent a telegram to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, thanking him for his message of congratulations on the occasion of the meeting of the General Council at London. Generalissimo's message received very great publicity in the European press.

The telegram from Lord Cecil and M. Cot reads:

"Deeply appreciate your message, which was transmitted to the I.P.C.'s General Council. Thanking you, the Council pledges its redoubled efforts to secure effective boycott and embargo, and adequate financial assistance to support China's heroic struggle."

The Council, it will be remembered, has already sent telegrams of thanks to Dr. T. V. Soong and Mr. Shao Li-tse, Presidents of the China Branch, and letters of appreciation to many well-wishers, including Mr. Tseng Yang-fu, former mayor of Canton, and Mr. Y. H. Koo, president of the Student Association of the National Central University.

PROPERTY AUCTION

At the public auction held at Messrs. Lamert Bros., yesterday, a valuable leasehold property situated at Victoria, registered as Inland Lot No. 140 with the building thereon known as "No. 9, Gienahly, was sold to Mr. Leung Ying-kuen of Messrs. Kwang Sang Hong, for a sum of \$27,000.00.

have penetrated deeply into China's territory, but they cannot and will not break the indomitable spirit of the Chinese people, who will continue the struggle with courage and determination until the Japanese militarists meet their Waterloo. A new China, united, and full of the vigour of youth, is being built, a China that can never be conquered.

CHINA'S FORMER tactics differed little from those of the Japanese. But she was inferior to the enemy in armaments and, therefore, suffered heavy losses. Experience has taught her that defence is a weak method of conducting the war. She will, from now on, attack the Japanese when the latter do not expect it. When her units are in the rear of the enemy and are independent, they will utilize their advantage, resulting from their freedom of manoeuvre, to strike.

AS EXPLAINED by Gen. Chu Teh, Commander-in-Chief of the Eighth Route Army, which has been so successful against the invaders insofar as guerrilla warfare is concerned, the new tactics demand:—first, flexibility of command; second, the strictest secrecy; third, rapidity and surprise, which are the guarantee of the success of guerrilla tactics; fourth, attacks on the enemy's lines of communications with a view to harassing and breaking them and depriving them of the possibility of receiving reinforcements; fifth, to follow the retreating Japanese with small shock groups and hurling the main forces to outflank the invaders; and sixth, to withdraw from the enemy when he is attacking and making use of by-paths and mountain passes. With such methods to cope with, the Japanese will be forced to admit failure.

CORRESPONDENCE

A CHALLENGE TO THE STATUS QUO

[To the Editor, "The Hongkong Daily Press"]

Sir,—To a groaning Creation—to a bewildered Humanity—to all Peoples and Nations trembling in an atmosphere of fear and menace—What does it matter what you, or I, or anybody else think? We want to know, the Status Quo, ordained by its Creator for Humanity, that will bring and maintain "Peace upon earth and goodwill among men." We are entitled to know—we are determined to know—and we will have no further postponement of this universal human interest.

Humanity is no longer content to be the shuttlecock of vested interests, be they Ecclesiastical, Political, or Social. Humanity through us, now finds its voice, and demands a great universal representative gathering, on the same lines and for the same cause, as that which Elijah organized at Carmel. To this assembly, Ecclesiastical, Political and Social Representatives shall come; together with the elected Representatives of all family headships, to await a supernatural intervention of God in world affairs. Humanity, no longer dumb, upon this issue, shall become united, and through us, it makes an appeal to the Court of highest jurisdiction, an immediate and direct application to its God, for His Divine intervention and settlement, of all issues relative to the Altar and the Throne in human affairs. The patient, plodding, burden-bearing "Ass-populi" now turns upon its heels and as did its prototype the Ass of Blaam upon the prophet, and upon its Balaks of Dictatorial oppression.

Universal Humanity, with its unforgettable history of agony and bloody sweat, demands the calling to account of these Trustees, Ecclesiastical, Political, Social to a Carmel meeting before God. It is written "Justice and judgment are the habitations of God's throne," therefore humanity will hear of no refusal from these age-long occupiers of the Altar and the Throne in human affairs. They, as stewards, shall give an account of the misappropriation of the age-long trust funds of untold millions which the Human Family have entrusted to them for presentation to the One God and Father of all Flesh, for the inauguration and maintenance of peace on earth and goodwill among men.

Who will dare challenge our statement, that it is high time for Humanity to present itself at this highest Court of Appeal, namely "the immediate and direct," and subpoena these lords over Gods heritage to render their account. Humanity demands a halt in human affairs. A specified time, namely, a fortnight in which God may be given the opportunity of intervening supernaturally. In this day of international dilemma, "stand still and see the salvation of God." Let it be proved by Divine intervention, there is One God, humanity's God, Who is able and willing to deliver His Human Family from its oppressors, and that it would be an utter impossibility for God to ignore this universal appeal, or slight this Carmel-gathering. Let then, every family headship, from every corner of the earth, take part in this ballot. Every family headship shall send a post card to:—"Witness, Whitechurch Road, Cardiff, Wales, with the two words 'Carmel demanded' and the name and address of the sender.

As the outcome of this ballot a representative shall be elected by these family headships from every town and district. From these municipal and district representatives shall be elected a national Representative company of five. These "Fives" from every nation shall meet and appoint a place for a great Carmel gathering, that shall be most central for all concerned. In the event of difference of opinion as to the suitability of the place, lots shall be cast to decide this issue by ballot and the result of this shall be accepted without question. These international "Fives," representing the people, shall send over their joint signatures, a demand for the attendance of Representatives from the International Ecclesiastical and Political Status Quo.

Witness for The One God and Father of all, and Lover of Humanity,

BENJAMIN H. DINNICK.



Another couple of punters discuss prospects at the Fanning Race meeting. (Photo by Leica).

Naval Exercises Off Singapore

OFFICIAL LANDING BY C.I.C.

Naval manoeuvres began off Singapore on the morning of March 16 and were concluded on Friday, March 17.

His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, East Indies Squadron, Admiral V. F. Somerville, C.B., D.S.O., of the flagship "Norfolk" officially landed at Clifford Pier on March 14 when he was received by a military Guard of Honour furnished by fifty members of the 2nd Battalion, the Gordon Highlanders. He was met on arrival by H. E. Henderson, the General Officer Commanding Troops, Malaya, Major General W. G. S. Dobbie, the Commodore, Malaya, Commodore T. B. Drew and the Air Officer Commanding Far East, Air Vice-Marshal J. T. Babington.

Admiral Somerville inspected the Guard of Honour which was under the command of Lt. R. I. M. Henderson. The drums and bagpipes of the Gordon Highlanders under the baton of Drum Major Bruce were also in attendance.

After inspecting the Guard of Honour, Admiral Somerville was introduced to the Colonial Secretary, S.S. Sir Alexander Small, and heads of the civil departments and members of the Military, Naval and Air staffs.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Later in the morning Admiral Somerville returned visits to H. E. Major General Dobbie and Air Vice-Marshal J. T. Babington.

H. E. the Governor, Sir Shenton Thomas, returned his call when he paid a personal visit to the "Norfolk" flagship of the Commander-in-Chief of the East Indies Squadron, on March 14.

The "Norfolk," "Manchester" (Capt. H. H. Bousfield) and the destroyer "Decoy" were lying at the man-of-war anchorage while the other vessels which arrived in Singapore to take part in the exercises were anchored at the Naval Base.

BIG ASSEMBLY OF WARSHIPS

For the manoeuvres, there was a big assembly of British naval vessels in Singapore. Drawn from the China and East Indies squadrons, these vessels, which consist of destroyers, and submarines, number more than two dozens.

On board the H.M.S. Norfolk was Vice Admiral J. F. Somerville, Commander-in-Chief of the East Indies Squadron, while Vice Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief of the China station was on board the H.M.S. Kent.

The aircraft-carrier Eagle and H.M.S. Medway with her blood of submarines also took part.

All the naval vessels put out to sea on March 16 and "attacked" this island fortress in the early hours of March 17. In the course of their "attack" the naval vessels were engaged by R.A.F. planes, while shore defence units also came into "action."

A cockboy who the Court was told, absconded with \$89.23 entrusted him by his employers and three days later came back, begging forgiveness and offering the return of \$5, was bound over by Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Court yesterday on a sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for one year. Tang will have to return the sum of \$89.23, or serve two months' imprisonment.

Mrs. W. G. S. Dobbie, wife of the G.O.C. in Malaya, Major-General Dobbie, accompanied by Miss Dobbie, will arrive in Hongkong today by the transport Lancashire. While in Hongkong, they will stay with Major-General Grasett, General Officer Commanding, Hongkong, and Mrs. Grasett. They will return to Singapore by the Lancashire on April 2.

DEVELOPMENTS AFTER FALL OF HANKOW
POLICY OF RUTHLESSNESS BY JAPANESEThe Hawker Problem:
A Pitiable Picture

With the Japanese in undisputed possession of Hankow by Oct. 29, the feverish outlook of the preceding few days altered somewhat, and the city began to return to a state approaching normalcy. Shipping, however, remained tied up, and Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. announced in the press that both their river and coastal services were indefinitely suspended.

Those foreigners who witnessed the Japanese entry probably saw many incidents of the ruthlessness of undeclared warfare, in the "mopping up" campaign which succeeded the occupation itself.

Even the foreign press, in spite of its efforts to be as neutral and unbiassed as possible, could not help commenting on what they saw and heard, although in a somewhat guarded manner, and with doubtless an eye on the Japanese military censor. Reading between the lines, one can detect much that was left unsaid as the following from the "Central China Post" of October 28 testifies:—

"Some complaints were received during the day with regard to Japanese soldiers commandeering bicycles, there being no rickshaws running on Hankow streets. It was also alleged that there had been private killings (sic) in the native city. In one case witnessed by a foreigner, a Chinese soldier was caught on a junk and executed in rather a brutal way. It is a mystery why this policy is being followed: for the foreign mind it tends to force those who have been unfortunately left behind in uniform changing into ordinary clothes and augmenting the guerrillas." (Italics mine).

EXPLOITATION BY HAWKERS

One of the first developments after the Japanese capture of the city was the advent of the commercial-minded itinerant. Everywhere in those sections of the foreign area haunted by milling crowds of refugees, the hawkers exploited the situation.

A reporter of the "Central China Post" thus described the scene as he saw it on October 29:

"On railings hang cuts of meat being offered for sale, while window ledges have been turned into counters on which are offered cigarettes, sweets and eggs. Along the gutters are the baskets of vegetable men who have come in from the country to sell their produce at attractive prices."

The hawkers steadily increased in numbers, and, from some of the letters to the Editor in the issues of the "Central China Post," we have an excellent portrayal of a situation which soon became a problem to be solved with the greatest difficulty.

UNFIT FOR RESIDENCE

One letter to the press states in part: "It does not require the vision of a seer to realize that what was formerly Hankow's main shopping thoroughfare and residential area is fast becoming unfit for respectable habitation, or legitimate business."

Despite the efforts of the "authorities" to reduce their numbers, the hawkers gained more recruits than ever, and, with a bravery worthy of a better cause, withstood every effort to dislodge them. Even although driven off at the point of the bayonet, they would await their chance to return, and then would take up their quarters "at the old stand" more determined than ever to resist further onslaughts.

DOUBTFUL COMPLIMENT

"The prevailing state of open defiance of the powers that be on the part of an ever-increasing number of voracious hawkers," wrote one resident to the "Central China Post," is, to say the least, a doubtful compliment of the New Order in our midst. But the very

fact that the authorities do, periodically, make an effort to clear the streets and restore order, is an encouraging sign and shows that they have no intention of capitulating to the lawless element.

"Still there is something to be said in extenuation of the charge against these 'rutter merchants.' Deprived of their former means of livelihood in the native city, and driven by dire necessity to the more frequented haunts of men in the hopes of earning an honest penny, they present a pitiable picture on these bitterly cold days."

WREST FOR A LIVING

From 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., these poor creatures are on the streets endeavouring to wrest a living from sales to people—refugees like themselves—who are to say the least as destitute as they.

To the residents of the foreign areas the hawkers are an unmitigated nuisance, and "so encroach on the pavement that it is almost impossible to get out of one's own gate, and quite so to use the footpath." "Their noise is intolerable," wrote another foreigner, "as they appear quite incapable of speaking in a lower tone than the tops of their voices, and they are not famed for gentle, low tones!"

STILL IN BUSINESS

Although the streets were twice cleared on December 31, the "authorities" seem to be powerless against these hawkers' hordes; for on each occasion, there was a little peace and quiet for about a quarter of an hour, but that was all,—the hawkers returning in full force after each clearance.

According to latest advices from Hankow, the itinerant merchant is indomitable, and is still in business on the street. Dislodged he may be temporarily, but he always milks and returns. For persistence and pluck, the Hankow hawker has his Hongkong brethren beaten to a frazzle!

WOMEN GUERRILLA CORPS

LINHSIEN, KWANGTUNG, Mar. 18 (Central)—Linhsien is making preparations to give a rousing send-off to a corps of 400 women who have completed their military training and will soon leave for Shikwan and other towns in Kwangtung to undertake wartime work.

Composed of girl students, waitresses, women barbers and others, the corps numbered 800 when it was formed in Canton prior to the Japanese landing at Blas Bay. Upon the fall of Canton, it evacuated to Kwangtung and its neighbourhood on the West River.

The corps was then placed under the command of the West River Guerrilla Headquarters, and underwent training in guerrilla tactics, taking field practice side by side with men guerrillas.

Later, the corps was transferred to Linhsien where they have been undergoing training in other phases of wartime work. They are now leaving for various towns in Kwangtung to organise and train their sisters and assist in guerrilla fighting if necessary.



"I told you so," says the gentleman wearing a cap as he explains to his companions how he was lucky in his choice at the Fanning Races. (Photo by Leica).

BRITAIN DECIDES ON CONTACT WITH PEACE LOVING COUNTRIES

Important Decisions Being Taken

RE-ARMAMENT PLANS TO BE ACCELERATED

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—It was learned in London to-day that at the meeting of the British Cabinet it was agreed that immediate contact should be made between Britain and the peace-loving countries throughout the world.

In the meantime the diplomatic correspondent of the "Observer" makes some interesting comments on the present position.

He declares that although various disclaimers have been received from Berlin and Bucharest in regard to Germany's alleged commercial demands against Rumania, the possibility of a German threat to Rumania is not regarded as dismissed.

The conclusions reached by the British Government as a result of the numerous diplomatic and ministerial conversations over the week-end will not be known until Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax make their considered statements to-morrow in the House of Commons and the House of Lords, respectively.

Mr. Chamberlain conferred with His Majesty the King for one hour yesterday and also with Lord

Chatfield, Minister for Co-ordination of Defence, and all the other Ministers of Defence.

ARMAMENT ACCELERATION
It is learned that one result of yesterday's Cabinet Meeting was the decision for an immediate and big acceleration in the British re-armament programme.

It is evident that Britain and France will not be taken unawares by any further German coup.
In non-official quarters a conference between Britain, France, America and Russia is favoured to frame a general policy to which the Balkan States will be asked to subscribe.

It is understood that the possibility of collaboration between Britain, France and Russia was also discussed in general terms during Mr. Ivan Maiski's call on Lord Halifax yesterday.

RUMANIA HAS MORAL RIGHT TO HELP FROM POWERS

BUCHAREST, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—The signs of slight improvement in feeling here are due largely to Mr. Chamberlain's statement in Birmingham that Britain "is not disinterested in what goes on in south-eastern Europe," reinforced by his reported invitation to countries in this region to maintain close contact with the Foreign Office at present.

The highest circles feel that Rumania, having taken an entirely legal attitude during the recent months and weeks, has a moral right to whatever help the Western Powers might choose to afford, should a serious situation arise for her.

BULGARIAN PREMIER LEAVES ANKARA

ANKARA, Mar. 20 (T/Ocean)—The Bulgarian Premier, M. Kjoselwanov, who has been here for conversations with the Turkish Government, left Ankara on Mar. 19.

A communique stresses the friendly relations between the two countries, but details of the contents of the conversations were not announced.

"CANTON WILL REMAIN A DEAD CITY"

CHUNGKING, Mar. 19 (Central)—"Canton will remain a dead city as long as Japanese troops do not withdraw and restore constituted Chinese authority," prophesied Gen. Wu Te-chen, the ex-Civil Governor of Kwangtung Province, who is now in Chungking.

Referring to Japanese inducements to the Cantonese to return to their home town by offering free passage in the steamer service between Macao and Canton, Gen. Wu declared: "The Japanese cannot succeed in luring the Cantonese business men back, as the Cantonese people are patriots at heart and will never forget the atrocities committed by enemy troops in Kwangtung."

Gen. Wu disclosed that after Japan began her aerial bombardment of Canton in Sept. 1937, the Provincial Government advised the people to scatter to areas outside the city, and the population which was normally one and a quarter million people decreased to half a million.

GOVERNMENT ORDER

On the day of the Japanese landing at Bias Bay, a proclamation was

posted all over the Southern Metropolitan by the Kwangtung Provincial Government ordering an immediate general evacuation of the populace, and later the police conducted a house-to-house canvass insisting that all the occupants leave the city at once. By the time the Japanese entered the provincial capital on Oct. 21, the population had dwindled to a mere fifty thousand.

According to General Wu, definite arrangements were made for taking care of the refugees in Canton before the actual Japanese invasion of South China.
"I am glad to say that 17,000 out of the 60,000 refugees, mostly women and children, who remained in the city, are being looked after in the special safety zones in Canton under the management of an international committee of public-spirited foreign residents," General Wu stated.



"No, I don't think so," seems to be what the gentleman wearing glasses is trying to tell his fair companion to her choice of a winner at the recent Fanling Races. (Photo by Lelca).

FANFARE OF TRUMPETS FOR HITLER

Frenzied Demonstrations In Berlin

BERLIN, MARCH 20 (REUTER)—HERR HITLER ARRIVED IN BERLIN BY TRAIN AT 6.30 P.M. YESTERDAY. Amid tremendous shouting and the blare of trumpets he was welcomed on the platform by all the Reich Ministers, headed by Field Marshal Goering, and including the State Secretaries, the Regional Party Leaders and Delegations of the Army and Party.

The station was decorated with Swastika flags and huge crowds had gathered outside and along the route which the Fuehrer would take.

Field Marshal Goering, in a speech of welcome, declared that Herr Hitler had "restored to the Germans not only their dignity of the past, but also the security of the German Reich."

He added that this was a great day for the Fuehrer and it was impossible to thank him except by a sacred oath in the name of the German Nation never to give away the great things they had attained.

"SIEG HEIL!"

"It is impossible for so heroic a soldier not to be backed by a heroic nation," said the Field Marshal. "You have made this people courageous and great. Let this be the oath of all Germans 'Sieg Heil.'"

All the church bells were ordered by the leaders of the Evangelical Churches to ring from 6.45 p.m. until 7 p.m. Fifty military bands were stationed at intervals along Herr Hitler's route to the Unter den Linden, where searchlights formed an arch of light. Herr Hitler's car proceeded very slowly between dense and cheering crowds to the Chancellery.

FRENZIED CHEERING

The crowd at the Wilhelmstrasse was so enthusiastic that it broke through the cordon of Black Guards three times and shouted for Herr Hitler to appear on the balcony of the Chancellery. The Fuehrer appeared three times amid frenzied cheering and then it was announced that "important conversations" prevented his re-appearance.

In the meantime, a message from London states that, in pursuance of instructions to return and report, the German Ambassador in London left yesterday afternoon for Berlin.

KULING ATTACK ABANDONED

Sterling Chinese Defence

NANCHANG, Mar. 20 (Central)—Sterling Chinese defence, coupled with natural topographical difficulties, has forced once again the Japanese invaders to discontinue their attack on the 3,500-foot precipice of Kuling, where a strong force of defenders remain.

The long defenders of Kuling, after fully six months' resistance, have the satisfaction of not only being able to keep the Japanese at bay, but also of exacting heavy tolls from repeated unsuccessful enemy attacks.

Throughout their long series of attacks on the Chinese stronghold, the Japanese had thrown in the full might of their army and air force. Numerous assaults were attempted, but they never succeeded in reaching above mid-level of the difficult height.

CHINESE DEFENCE

Chinese defenders have erected an intricate system of defence amid well hidden natural positions which defied the mechanised might of the Japanese. Their ammunition was often replenished by those left by the Japanese during their attacks. In several cases, three or four truckloads of cartridges were abandoned by the Japanese on the field.

The Japanese have now given up attacks, and seem satisfied in keeping a defensive position at the foot of the hill.

Numerous outlying Japanese positions on the surrounding districts and transport contingents were constantly exposed to Chinese lightning raids from their stronghold in Kuling. As a precaution against the predatory raids of the Chinese, the Japanese have now strengthened their convoy system along the Tehan-Kiukiang line.

"I WILL FIGHT FOR MY PEOPLE"

CHICAGO, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—Dr. E. Benes, former President of Czechoslovakia, in a message broadcast to the American people, declared, "The independence of Czechoslovakia has not been crushed until my last breath; I will continue to fight for my people and their rights."

Dr. Benes denied any intention of forming a provisional Czech Government in the United States.

BRASS NAMEPLATES TORN FROM CZECH LEGATION

CAPETOWN, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—The brass nameplates of the Czech Legation were torn from the entrance on Saturday and the Swastika was painted over the wall.
An official of the Skoda armament works, who is at present in Capetown, said that the Czech Legation would not be handed over to German officials.

KOWLOON ROBBERY

While walking near the hillside above Cornwall Road about noon yesterday, two women and a man were held up by three robbers and were robbed of four gold finger rings, two wrist watches and a small amount of money.
The three robbers, who were each armed with a knife, made good their escape.

DEJECTED CZECHS

PRAGUE, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—The grief of the Czechs on the occupation of their land by Germany is not lessening and dejection is expressed on almost every face of the crowds who continue to gather throughout the day before the memorial to the unknown warrior.

PARADE OF GERMANY'S MIGHT

CZECH PEOPLE KEEP AWAY

PRAGUE, MARCH 20 (REUTER)—MANY CZECHS WENT OUT WALKING IN THE COUNTRY YESTERDAY IN ORDER TO AVOID WITNESSING THE PARADE OF GERMAN TROOPS IN WENCESLAS PLACE, during which the Czech people kept away from the windows of their houses and pulled down the Czech flags which the German authorities had ordered them to fly.

Members of the Czech Government had been ordered to witness the review and took their place besides the German civil and military authorities.

The parade was headed by Gen. Von Gablenz and lasted two hours. It comprised infantry, artillery and tanks, while several squadrons of planes flew low overhead.

Crowds of Germans from all parts of Bohemia watched the spectacle. The only Swastika flag visible was one in the centre of the city.

ARRESTS AND SUICIDES
A later message from Prague states that the number of arrests and suicides is reported to be increasing. Daily arrests are said to amount to several thousands, those arrested being mainly German refugees from Austria and Sudetenland, political figures and journalists. It is understood that no Jews have been arrested.

The head of the Polish News Agency was among those arrested. He has not been released as yet, despite a demarche by the Polish Ambassador in Berlin.

According to the Czech News Agency, a bomb was thrown at the House of the German District Leader in Tyrnau, some 33 miles north-east of Bratislava, but nobody was injured. It is also stated that another bomb was thrown at a German in the street, but he too was unhurt.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR

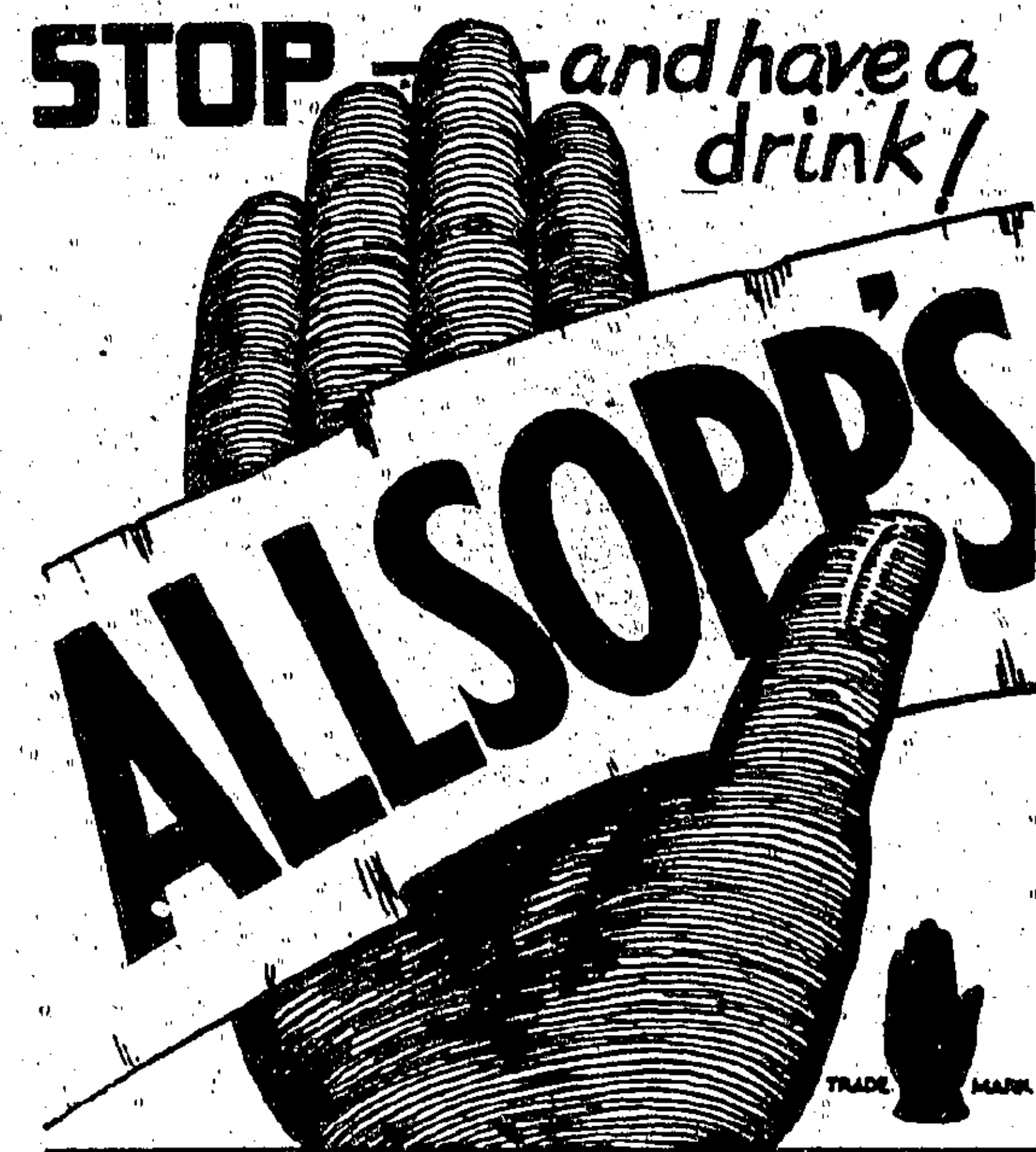
Kowloon Bay.—Yolande Bertin. Kowloon Wharf.—Tjinegara. Stonecutters.—Nanning, Wu-chang.

West Point Wharf.—Yu Sang. Douglas Wharf.—Hai Tan.

DOCKS

Talkoo.—Breconshire, Aeolus, Harelda, Tinhow.

BUOYS
No. A 3.—Fleasantville.
No. A 4.—Memnon.
No. B 1.—Hunah.
No. B 3.—Kalkan.
No. B 9.—Fau Sang.
No. B 11.—Asian.
No. B 14.—Prominent.
No. B 15.—Ying Chow.
No. B 16.—Hupeh.
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100,000 TROOPS SENT TO GUARD FRONTIER

Rumania Concerned Over Advance Of German Troops

SIGHET, MAR. 20 (REUTER)—THE RUMANIAN FRONTIER IS NOW STRONGLY GUARDED AND ALL THE FRONTIER POSTS HAVE BEEN REINFORCED. Hungarian Regulars have occupied posts on the Ruthenian side of the frontier.

A message from Bucharest states that the north-western districts of Rumania are crowded with troops moving rapidly towards the Carpatho-Ukraine and Hungarian frontiers.

Official circles emphasise that there is no general mobilisation, but a large number of young men have been called to the colours and it is estimated that between 30,000 and 100,000 additional troops are being sent to the Ruthenian frontier.

It is understood that these measures have been taken not only owing to the general international situation, but because the Rumanian Government feels it necessary to take serious account of the reports of the advance of the German troops through Slovakia towards Ruthenia, as their march would bring them close to the Rumanian frontier.

ATMOSPHERE EASIER

Meanwhile the atmosphere in Rumania is easier and it is understood that the Rumano-German commercial talks may result by Tuesday in agreement of a more limited nature than is suggested by the recent German economic demands on Rumania.

According to a report from Sighet, many refugees from Carpatho-Ukraine have been cared for by the Rumanian military authorities and sent to the interior. Refugees of Ukrainian, Galician and Russian origin have been placed in a concentration camp temporarily.

Port of the Ukrainian Guard which crossed the River Tisza into Rumania on Sunday, have been sent back over the frontier.

HUNGARIAN DENIAL

PARIS, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—The Hungarian Legation denies reports of the concentration of troops on Hungary's southern and south-eastern frontiers.

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER

CORK, Mar. 19 (Reuter)—The International soccer match between Eire and Hungary played here to-day, ended in a draw of two goals each.

A crowd of 20,000 saw the previously unimpressive Irish forwards attack fiercely and equalise in the last minute. The Irish defence was strong, Turner, at centre-half, being outstanding.

The Hungarians' positional play was superior but the Irishmen were faster.

Bradshaw, the Irish centre-forward, scored, but Zsengeller replied. The second half was even, the Hungarians taking the lead through Kollen, and Carey, the Irish inside-left, scoring the equaliser.

VON CRAMM PLAYS TENNIS AGAIN

CAIRO, Mar. 19 (Reuter)—Gottfried von Cramm, the former German Davis Cup player, after a year's absence, returned to tournament tennis here.

Playing for an International team on Saturday, he beat the Egyptian, Najjar, by 6-0, 6-1.

To-day he was beaten by the young American, Donald McNeil, 6-3, 3-6, 7-5.

America won the tournament.

HONGKONG GOLF CLUB

The following are the results of the Stableford Competition played on the Old Course at Fanling on Mar. 17 and 18:—

F. Groves, 35 plus 4—39 winner.
F. S. Geldart, 20 plus 18—38.
H. Overy, 20 plus 17—37.
E. T. McMullen, 29 plus 7—36.
There were 21 entries.

NATIONAL PRODUCTION

Conference To Be Held In Chungking

CHUNGKING, Mar. 18 (Central).—With the aim of discovering ways and means to stimulate wartime production, the Executive Yuan has decided to call a national production conference at the beginning of next month at Chungking.

Dr. H.H. Kung, President of the Executive Yuan and Minister of Finance, will be chairman of the conference, with Dr. Wong Wen-hao, Minister of Economy, and Mr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of Education, as his deputies. Mr. H. Y. Moh, the noted industrialist and chairman of the Agriculture Promotion Commission, has been named as the secretary-general of the forthcoming confab.

A number of authorities in agricultural, industrial and mining production have been invited to the conference, who will sit and discuss the important question of increasing the nation's economic strength of resistance during the war together with a group of specially appointed Government deputies.

ANGLO-POLISH TRADE TALKS

WARSAW, Mar. 20 (T/Ocean).—The British Secretary for Overseas Trade, Mr. R. S. Hudson, arrived in Warsaw yesterday accompanied by twelve experts from the British Office for Foreign Trade, as well as by the Director of the Economic Department for Foreign Trade.

The visitors were received at the station by the Polish Minister of Trade and members of his Ministry.

Commenting on the objects of the visit, the "Kurier Polski" writes that it will lead to more active commercial relations between Poland and England, particularly as regards the export of Polish agricultural products.

AN INTERESTING REVELATION

PARIS, March 19 (Reuter).—Remarkable revelations are stated to have been made by Herr Brechmann, Vice-President of the Reichsbank in a recent speech published by the "Agence Economique et Financiere".

He is reported to have said: "We have been paying for guns the price for which we obtain normally ten guns, and a gun of inferior quality."

"Our ore resources and raw material are of such inferior quality and absorb such a number of workmen, as to threaten national economy. We are at the end of our stock of currency."

COLLEGE OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURE

In the course of his report for the Academic Year ended August 31, 1938, of the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture, Trinidad, the Principal, Sir Geoffrey Evans, C.I.E., makes a reference to the arrangements which were made three years ago with the authorities in Malaya for specially selected Malayan officers of the Agricultural Department to enter the College for a course of training. Similar plans had been made with the Nigerian and Jamaican Governments.

Reference is also made to the unsettled political conditions which prevailed in Trinidad in 1937 and how the question of defending the College against damage in the riots had been made possible by the raising of a company for enrolment in the Trinidad Volunteer Force.

The Principal emphasises the difficulties which the College faces owing to lack of funds for the construction of buildings and field plots. The question of the replacement of the Hospital is also one which will have to be taken in hand at an early date.

The College was represented at the Conference of Colonial Directors of Agriculture and at the Cotton Conference in London. The number of students in the College is now 46 in residence. Diploma students came to the College from such places as Jamaica, British Guiana, the Windward and Leeward Islands, the Seychelles, British India, Guatemala, South Africa and England.

RESEARCH WORK

The research work of the College is centred round the four main crops that grow in the region, namely, cacao, sugar-cane, citrus and bananas.

The report also refers to the exceptionally heavy work done by the College Farm. The work of the College also covers botany, economics, entomology, sugar technology, etc.

There were, it is pointed out in the report, numerous visitors to the College during the year. A number of scientists from South and Central American countries visited the College, while there were also callers from Canada, the United States and the United Kingdom.

national economy. We are at the end of our stock of currency. "Our imports this year double exports, although the Fuehrer has ordered that we must not spend one mark on imports above our exports," he concluded.

CANNING INDUSTRY

PLEA FOR PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

MANGALORE.—The Hon. Mr. V. V. Giri, Minister for Industries and Labour had a very busy time recently receiving several deputations of Labour Unions and Co-operative Societies.

The District Fruit-Growers waited in deputation on the Minister at the Bar Association premises and represented by Messrs. A. G. Soans, T. M. Soans, M. S. Ranganatha Rao and K. Muddana, Shetty urged Government help in the matter of starting a canning industry. The deputations also pleaded for a duty on imported canned tins.

Mr. Giri said that local people must subscribe the necessary capital for starting a canning industry and work it up. Then only could the Government come out with any subsidy. He suggested that some one might be sent to Bewdara where training was given in this industry.

HANDLOOM PRODUCTS

Messrs. Machado and A. R. D'Souza, representing the District Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society, brought to the notice of the Minister the fall in demand for handloom products and the consequent inactivity of a large number of looms. They urged that a subsidy for running the society and the sales depot might be given. The Minister asked them to meet the Registrar and place their case before him. He also would look into the matter.

On behalf of the South Canara District Motor Employees' Union, Messrs. E. Sarvathama Shetty, A. Kanthappa Shetty, Gobindram Omprakash, S. A. Saldana, Ramanatha Rao, G. Ramadas, Kamath, Hariram Shenoy and others met the Minister and placed their grievances before him.

Mr. Giri, replying, made it clear to them that at least on one point he would, assure the workers, namely, no employer could prevent any worker, to whichever class he might belong, from joining any regularly constituted Trade Union. There cannot be any compromise on that point.

He further asked them to proceed tactfully, and carry on their activities peacefully. If the situation, grew worse, they could then ask the Government to appoint Conciliation Boards or Courts of Enquiry.

OPERATIONS ON HAINAN

From Our Own Correspondent

Four Japanese chemical units are scattered up in Canton and Hainan Island in preparation for further military operations. With such equipment, the Japanese expect to advance with a small force, while other available detachments are transferred to the Hupeh front.

Hundreds of young women in Hainan Island were rounded up by the Japanese military, and some of them are required to undertake special service. The Chinese military are taking a serious view over such detention of Chinese women.

TROOP TRANSFERS

Japanese troops known as the Ita Detachment at Samshui have been replaced by the Nakahara detachment. Col. Nakahara is said to have seen much service in north China, and a better officer is placed there in view of the threatened Chinese counter-offensive along the west River. That the Japanese will remain on the defensive is indicated by their commandeering of farmers to construct defence works.

Several booms have been placed across the West River east of Shuiling. The rise of the water level makes a Japanese advance up river unlikely. Chinese troops are also planning to recapture Tallang and Shuntok, 50 miles south of Canton, from the Japanese.

to a bitter struggle along the Hsichow-Shuyang highway. The fierceness of the battle is shown by the fact that the Chinese, before abandoning Hsichow, set on fire nearly all of the important buildings and conflagrations raged for three days.

The Chinese counter-attacked the Japanese rear and the Japanese lines, claiming the recapture of three positions, along the Kiangshan-Chungshang highway, killing 300 Nippon soldiers and capturing or disabling eight tanks.

ECONOMIC ASPECTS IN BRITAIN

The soundness of the British economic position is evident in various reports now being issued. The aggregate assets of British building societies to-day, for example, are estimated at over £785 millions, while records so far available show that the advances made on mortgages by these enterprises during the past year will establish a new high figure at over £140 millions.

Another instance is the constant increase in the output of electricity. Production in December 1938 was seven per cent. above the output in December 1937, while the total amount of electricity generated during 1938 was 1,474 million units more than in 1937, or an increase of nearly 6 1/2 per cent.

Another illustration is afforded by the latest official return of motor traffic. The number of mechanically propelled road vehicles registered for the first time during November last was 33,833, compared with 30,000 in November 1937; and the gross amount paid for licences issued during the twelve months ended the 30th of November last was £38,100,000, compared with £34,300,000 in the corresponding period of 1937.

ECONOMIC ENTERPRISE

A further example of economic enterprise in Great Britain is provided by the city of Liverpool, where the municipal authorities, while maintaining, and even extending the interests of the city as the second port of the United Kingdom, are adopting a programme designed to expand existing local industries and attract new ones.

Though this movement is only in its initial stages, progress is encouraging. Special site facilities are being offered to manufacturers, so that, with its excellent maritime, rail and road connections, Liverpool is likely to show considerable development as a manufacturing centre.

MERCANTILE BANK DIVIDEND

The Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd., has received a telegram from its Head Office in London advising that at the annual general meeting of shareholders, a final dividend of 6 per cent. on the "A," "B" and "C" shares will be recommended, making 12 per cent. for the year less Income Tax; £20,000 written off Land and House Property, £30,000 Contingency Account and £177,770 carried forward to 1939 account.



FOOT ITCH ATHLETE'S FOOT

According to the Government Health Bulletin No. 238, at least 10% of the adult population of the United States are being attacked by the disease known as Athlete's Foot.

Usually the disease starts between the toes. Little watery blisters form and the skin cracks and peels. After a while the itching becomes intense and you feel as though you would like to scratch off all the skin.

Beware of It Spreading

Often the disease travels all over the bottom of the feet. The soles of your feet become red and swollen. The skin also cracks and peels, and the itching becomes worse and worse.

Get rid of this disease as quickly as possible, because it is very contagious and it may go to your hands or even to the under arm or crutch of the legs.

Most people who have Athlete's Foot have tried all kinds of remedies to cure it without success. Ordinary germicides, antiseptics, salve or ointments, seldom do any good.

Here's How to Treat It

The germ that causes the disease is known as Trichophyton. It buries itself deep in the layers of the skin and is very hard to kill. A test made shows it takes 15 minutes of boiling to kill the germ. So you can see why the ordinary remedies are unsuccessful.

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CHINA'S WAR ENTERS ITS 621ST DAY WITH BITTER FIGHTING

SHANGHAI, Mar. 20 (Int'l).—China's map to-day disclosed much bitter fighting in progress along the far-flung Sino-Japanese battle fronts, as the undeclared war entered its 621st day.

The fighting increased in severity in Shansi province as six Japanese divisions, estimated at 125,000 strong, spread eagled through the mountain country as they pressed the year-old Nippon campaign to wipe out the Chinese forces operating in that sector.

To the north of Lishih the Chinese reported that they counter-attacked and recaptured three villages, killing 200 of the Japanese, and re-occupied Tawu-chien after killing 300 invaders and seizing three mountain guns.

The Japanese lost more than 200 soldiers while fighting their way across the Tsai River, but they successfully attacked and occupied Wuchih, in north Honan province.

The Chinese claim that 100 of the invaders were drowned when they attempted a crossing of the Yellow River into Shensi Province from Lungmenshan. The Chinese, defending the west bank of the Yellow River, used machine guns to blast the small Japanese boats which braved the spring flood waters of the mighty stream.

SEVERE FIGHTING

CHANGSHA, Mar. 15 (Int'l).—Severe fighting is in progress at the approximate geographical centre of China as the Japanese invaders, surging northward along the east bank of the Han River, battled the stiffening Chinese forces with mutually heavy casualties. Heavy fighting was also reported from North Kiangsu and Shansi.

Emphasizing the continued bitter resistance, the Japanese invaders are meeting military chiefs reported from Chungking that Chinese warriors engaged the enemy in 404 battles during the last two weeks of February, during which the Japanese suffered 21,000 casualties, while 700 others were taken prisoner. The Chinese admitted equally severe losses.

Heavy rains in North Kiangsu bogged down Japanese mechanized units and forced the bellicents to struggle in knee-deep mud along a battle line stretching from Paoyang, on the Grand Canal, to the sea.

Desperate fighting was continuing throughout Shansi where, during the past fortnight, the Chinese reported that they engaged the Japanese in 200 battles, inflicting severe casualties on the invaders.

GUERRILLA REPORTS

Reporting to Chungking on two months activities in Hupeh, Chinese guerrilla leaders said they killed 1,428 Japanese troops and 864 puppet soldiers; took 90 Japanese and 198 puppet troops prisoner; destroyed 88 miles of railways and highways; disabled 73 Japanese army trucks; and replenished their armaments by seizing 2,000 rifles and 128 machine guns.

HEAVY CASUALTIES

CHANGSHA, Mar. 15 (Int'l).—Chinese forces, fighting fiercely, claim that they inflicted 1,000 casualties on the enemy before withdrawing from Paoyang and that they are engaged

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Peiping To-day: Power Remains In Hands Of Japanese

CHUNGKING, Mar. 18 (Central).—Under airtight control of the Japanese invaders, the people in Peiping have not been able to breathe freely since the city's fall, a Peiping report states.

Though a nominal "Provisional Government" is in existence, nobody pays very much attention to it. The real power remains in the hands of the Japanese who are maintaining, among others, the "Headquarters of the Japanese North China Garrison," the "Japanese Special Service Section," the "Japanese Gendarmerie Headquarters," and the "South Manchuria Railway Company" in Peiping.

After the Japanese occupation of Peiping on July 30, 1937, they established a "City Defence Headquarters" to prevent the infiltration of Chinese plain-clothes corporals. Armed Japanese soldiers are stationed at every city gate, which is generally closed at 7 or 8 o'clock every evening, after which only Japanese soldiers are permitted to enter.

For more than half a year, Tientsinmen, the Ever Victorious Gate in the North City, has been bolted day and night. Other gates are frequently closed in the daytime, as the Japanese in Peiping have not been free from guerrilla threats.

POLICE SEARCHES. Police searches are daily occurrences in busy centres or at quiet corners, all depending upon the whims of the Japanese gendarmes and Japanese-employed policemen. Cases have been reported wherein the "cops" jumped into the compounds with the aid of a ladder either in the dead of night or in the early hours of the morning conducting searches. Many houses have thus been "robbed."

It needs iron nerves sometimes to steady oneself in the face of the Japanese "vigilance." Once the Chung Yuan Department Store and a foreign tailor shop on Morrison Street were set on fire. Suspecting arson, the Japanese detained all nearby pedestrians who carried matches in their pockets.

Passengers at railway stations are sometimes required to unbutton their clothes for a bodily search, no exception being made for female travellers.

CURRENCY CONFUSION. The currency situation is confusing in what was once the most pleasant residential city in this country. Needless to say, the economic veins in Peiping are held by the Japanese. Following the Japanese establishment of the "Federal Reserve Bank" on March 10, 1938, worthless banknotes were forced upon the people through the name of the "Provisional Government." These "Federal" notes are without specie reserve and the issue is unlimited.

Other kinds of paper currency abound in Peiping. There are, for instance, the notes of the "East Hopei Bank," "South Chahar Bank," "Mongol Territorial Bank," "Bank of Chosen," and "Bank of Japan." These banks also issue subsidiary coins and notes, ranging from half-cent to 50-cents.

Japanese goods are flooding the Peiping market, including such necessities as rice and flour (the price of the latter once jumped up to \$6 a sack). All abattoirs have been taken over by the Japanese and the result is that the price of pork has risen to 45 cents a catty (16 Chinese ounces). Prices of chickens and ducks have also sky-rocketed. Eggs were once sold at as many as 100 for \$1. But the good old days have gone. For \$1 the housewife can get only from 24 to 30 eggs now. The fish market is saturated with Japanese fish.

DRESS MATERIAL. Japanese dress materials have squeezed out non-Japanese piece goods. Prices of non-Japanese imports have increased by one-third. Owing to rigid Japanese competition, less and less foreign goods are coming in. On the other hand, the prices of Japanese

goods have been slightly higher than the "pre-incident" prices.

An inevitable result of the Japanese occupation of Peiping and Tientsin is their control of the communication lines. From the station masters down to mechanics, all posts are filled by Japanese transferred from the South Manchuria Railway.

However, railway hazards have happened so frequently that an accident is now seldom news. Accidents have been reported along the Peiping-Shanhaiwan section of the Peiping-Liaoning Railway (renamed by the Japanese "Peiping-Shanhaiwan Railway"); between Peiping-Shihchiachang and Peiping-Changtehfu (in north Honan) along the Peiping-Hankow Railway; between Peiping and Kalgan, gateway to Mongolia, along the Peiping-Suiyuan Railway; and between Peiping and Tientsin along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

A greater percentage of accidents occurred along the Japanese-built line starting from Peiping to Kupeikow along the Great Wall via Tungchow (so that the Japanese may rush troops back and forth between Peiping and Jehol). No doubt the guerrillas are responsible for most of the derailments. Hence, delayed arrivals behind schedule have been looked upon as a matter of course.

TOKYO TIME. All Japanese-fostered organisations in Peiping are using Tokyo time now! When Tokyo time was first introduced—it is one hour ahead of Peiping time—the Peiping residents were greatly inconvenienced, for there were repeated misunderstandings as to the exact time for office appointments and engagements. Later they were forced to jot down their notices, invitations, announcements "New Time" or "Standard Time."

One of the "post-incident" booms was the opium trade for which a large number of dens were opened. At first they called such dens "native goods store." But the expression "native goods" was not savoured by the Japanese, so they ordered that it be changed into "Indigenous goods store," "Indigenous medicine store." Department stores featuring the sale of Chinese manufactures before were ordered to advertise the sale of "one hundred varieties" instead.

DRUGS AND USURY. Koreans have also extended their activity from heroin-peddling to lending money to poor Chinese at usury, while Japanese nationals, under the protection of their army, have forcibly bought over large Chinese business enterprises at very low prices. One of them is the Capitol Theatre on Hataman Street near the Rockefeller-endowed Peiping Union Medical College.

Japanese "capital" has also been "invested" in such nationally-known stores as the Tung Hsing Lou Restaurant, Jui Fu Hsing Silk Store and Tung Jen Tang Pharmacy.

Better houses located in more accessible sections of this garden city—of which there are many—seldom escape the attention of the Japanese, who either rent them by force, or "buy" them over at low figures, or just eject the landlords and move in. Consequently, "To Let" signs are now as rare as rain in Peiping.

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Chunchoy
 Hainan, Douglas, March 23.
 Tainan, B. & S., March 23.

Dairen
 Hans Rickmers, Jensen's, March 23.
 Ramon, Jensen's, March 23.
 Frankon, Melchers, April 11.

Foochow
 Hainan, Douglas, March 23.
 Chungking, B. & S., March 25.

JAPAN
 Philoctetes, B. & S., March 22.
 Kitano, Maru, N. Y. K., March 22.
 Hosang, Jardine's, March 23.
 Shantung, Gilman's, March 23.
 Suwa Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Pres. Pierce, A. P. Lines, March 25.
 Marchen Maersk, Jensen's, March 27.
 Ramon, Jensen's, March 27.
 Mar. Joffre, Messageries, March 30.
 Chitral, P. & O., March 30.
 Tilawa, B. I. (Apost), March 30.
 Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30.
 Suikang, Jardine's, April 2.
 Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., April 4.
 Nellore, E. & A., April 5.
 Kina, E. & A., April 5.
 Titania, Thorson's, April 6.
 Pres. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 8.
 Arabia, Lloyd Triestino, April 10.
 Frankon, Melchers, April 11.
 Jean Laborde, Messageries, April 12.
 Regensburg, Melchers, April 12.
 Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., April 14.

Ningpo
 Yingshow, B. & S., March 21.
 Newchwang, B. & S., March 25.

Shanghai
 Szechuen, B. & S., March 21.
 Philoctetes, B. & S., March 22.
 Tainan, B. & S., March 22.
 Fausang, Jardine's, March 22.
 Boissvain, J. C. J. Line, March 22.
 Tai Sun Hong, Jardine's, March 24.
 Kaying, B. & S., March 24.
 Suwa Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Wingsang, Jardine's, March 25.
 Marchen Maersk, Jensen's, March 27.
 Tainan, B. & S., March 25.
 Taisadane, J. C. J. Line, March 28/29.
 Chakung, Jardine's, March 25.
 Kwangtung, B. & S., March 29.
 Ramon, Jensen's, March 29.
 Mar. Joffre, Messageries, March 30.
 Chitral, P. & O., March 30.
 Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30.
 Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, March 31.
 Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., April 4.
 Nellore, E. & A., April 5.
 Kina, E. & A., April 5.
 Titania, Thorson's, April 6.
 Pres. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 8.
 Arabia, Lloyd Triestino, April 10.
 Frankon, Melchers, April 11.
 Jean Laborde, Messageries, April 12.
 Regensburg, Melchers, April 12.
 Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., April 14.

Swatow
 Yingshow, B. & S., March 21.
 Szechuen, B. & S., March 21.
 Fausang, Jardine's, March 22.
 Hainan, Douglas, March 23.
 Tai Sun Hong, Jardine's, March 24.
 Kaying, B. & S., March 24.
 Suwa Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Wingsang, Jardine's, March 25.
 Marchen Maersk, Jensen's, March 27.
 Tainan, B. & S., March 25.
 Taisadane, J. C. J. Line, March 28/29.
 Chakung, Jardine's, March 25.
 Kwangtung, B. & S., March 29.
 Ramon, Jensen's, March 29.
 Mar. Joffre, Messageries, March 30.
 Chitral, P. & O., March 30.
 Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30.
 Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, March 31.
 Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., April 4.
 Nellore, E. & A., April 5.
 Kina, E. & A., April 5.
 Titania, Thorson's, April 6.
 Pres. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 8.
 Arabia, Lloyd Triestino, April 10.
 Frankon, Melchers, April 11.
 Jean Laborde, Messageries, April 12.
 Regensburg, Melchers, April 12.
 Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., April 14.

Taku
 Hans Rickmers, Jensen's, March 23.
 Frankon, Melchers, April 11.
 Regensburg, Melchers, April 12.

Tientsin
 Fausang, Jardine's, March 22.
 Tai Sun Hong, Jardine's, March 24.
 Chungking, B. & S., March 25.
 Wingsang, Jardine's, March 25.
 Chakung, Jardine's, March 25.

Tringtan
 Chungking, B. & S., March 25.
 Frankon, Melchers, April 11.
 Regensburg, Melchers, April 12.

Wei-Hai-Wei
 Chungking, B. & S., March 25.

Wenchow
 Yingshow, B. & S., March 21.
 Newchwang, B. & S., March 25.

SOUTHWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO COAST PORTS, MANILA, AUSTRALIA

Australian Ports, East and West
 Atuta Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Nankin, E. & A., April 1.

Bali
 Tjinegara, J. C. J. Line, March 21.
 Tjisadane, J. C. J. Line, April 11.

Bangkok
 Kalgan, B. & S., March 23.
 Hiram, Thorson's, March 25.
 Boissvain, J. C. J. Line, April 6.

Belawan-Deli
 Potsdam, Melchers, March 31.
 Marburg, Melchers, April 7.

Borneo Ports
 Mausang, Jardine's, April 1.

Brisbane
 Atuta Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Nankin, E. & A., April 1.

Cebu
 Tjinegara, J. C. J. Line, March 31.
 Anna Maersk, Jensen's, April 5.

Davao
 Atuta Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.

Haliphong
 Proteus, Jensen's, March 22.
 Laos, Messageries, March 22.
 Kiungchow, B. & S., March 23.
 Jean Dupuis, B. & S., March 23.
 Taisang, Jardine's, March 29.
 Esang, Jardine's, April 1.

Java
 Tjisalak, J. C. J. Line, April 4.

Kwangchowwan
 Kiungchow, B. & S., March 23.
 Jean Dupuis, B. & S., March 23.

Makassar
 Tjinegara, J. C. J. Line, March 21.

Manila
 Tjinegara, J. C. J. Line, March 21.
 Acadia, Jensen's, March 25.
 Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 25.
 Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, March 25.
 Atuta Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Burgeland, Jensen's, March 29.
 Potsdam, Melchers, March 31.
 Oldenburg, Jensen's, April 2.
 Arendskerk, J. C. J. Line, April 10.
 Pres. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.

Melbourne
 Atuta Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Nankin, E. & A., April 1.

Pakhoi
 Kiungchow, B. & S., March 23.

Rabaul
 Nankin, E. & A., April 1.

Saigon
 Laos, Messageries, March 22.
 Kalgan, B. & S., March 23.
 Chenonceaux, Messageries, April 3.
 Boissvain, J. C. J. Line, April 6.
 Marburg, Melchers, April 7.
 Cingalese Prince, Furness, April 7.
 Mar. Joffre, Messageries, April 13.

Sandakan
 Mausang, Jardine's, April 1.

Soerabaya
 Tjinegara, J. C. J. Line, March 21.

Sydney
 Atuta Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Nankin, E. & A., April 1.

Townsville
 Atuta Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Nankin, E. & A., April 1.

EASTWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA

Bahia
 Marchen Maersk, Jensen's, March 27.
 Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.

Baltimore
 Marchen Maersk, Jensen's, March 27.
 Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.

WESTWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO EUROPE AFRICA ETC.

Aden
 Burdwan, P. & O., March 25.
 Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Talabot, Thorson's, March 30.

African Ports
 Tishow, Bank Line, March 24.

Alexandria
 Pres. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 25.
 Pres. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.

Algiers
 Formosa, Gilman's, March 23.
 Talabot, Thorson's, March 30.

Amsterdam
 Burdwan, P. & O., March 25.
 Formosa, Gilman's, March 23.
 Arendskerk, J. C. J. Line, April 10.

London and New York

Marchen Maersk, Jensen's, March 27.
 Pres. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 25.
 Nagara Maru, N. Y. K., April 7.
 Pres. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.
 Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.

Cristobal

Marchen Maersk, Jensen's, March 27.
 Nagara Maru, N. Y. K., April 7.
 Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.

Honolulu

Pres. Pierce, A. P. Lines, March 25.
 Kanakura Maru, N. Y. K., March 30.
 Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30.
 Pres. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 8.
 Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., April 14.

Los Angeles

Pres. Pierce, A. P. Lines, March 25.
 Marchen Maersk, Jensen's, March 27.
 Kanakura Maru, N. Y. K., March 30.
 Pres. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 8.
 Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.

Panama

Marchen Maersk, Jensen's, March 27.
 Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.

Philadelphia

Marchen Maersk, Jensen's, March 27.
 Nagara Maru, N. Y. K., April 7.
 Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.

San Francisco

Pres. Pierce, A. P. Lines, March 25.
 Kanakura Maru, N. Y. K., March 30.
 Pres. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 8.

Vancouver, B.C.

Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30.
 Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., April 14.

Victoria, B.C.

Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30.
 Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., April 14.

Antwerp

Oder, Melchers, March 23.
 Burdwan, P. & O., March 25.
 Formosa, Gilman's, March 23.
 Talabot, Thorson's, March 30.
 Oldenburg, Jensen's, April 2.
 Arendskerk, J. C. J. Line, April 10.

Bombay

Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, March 25.
 Burdwan, P. & O., March 25.
 Nagato Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Pres. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 29.
 Anyo, Maru, N. Y. K., April 8.
 Pres. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.

Bremen

Potsdam, Melchers, March 31.
 Marburg, Melchers, April 7.

Calcutta

Sirdhana, B. I. (Apost), March 25.
 Kumsang, Jardine's, March 25.
 Yuensang, Jardine's, March 31.

Casablanca

Burdwan, P. & O., March 25.
 Formosa, Gilman's, March 23.
 Talabot, Thorson's, March 30.
 Marburg, Melchers, April 7.

Colombo

Oder, Melchers, March 23.
 Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Burdwan, P. & O., March 25.
 Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, March 25.
 Burgeland, Jensen's, March 29.
 Pres. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 29.
 Rio de Janeiro Maru, O. S. K., March 30.
 Talabot, Thorson's, March 30.
 Potsdam, Melchers, March 31.
 Canton, P. & O., April 1.

Copenhagen

Formosa, Gilman's, March 23.

Genoa

Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, March 25.
 Burgeland, Jensen's, March 29.
 Pres. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 29.
 Potsdam, Melchers, March 31.
 Oldenburg, Jensen's, April 2.
 Arendskerk, J. C. J. Line, April 10.
 Pres. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.

Gibraltar

Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Canton, P. & O., April 1.
 Husimi Maru, N. Y. K., April 8.

Glasgow

City of Lincoln, Bank Line, April 12.

Gothenburg

Formosa, Gilman's, March 23.
 Talabot, Thorson's, March 30.

Hamburg

Oder, Melchers, March 23.
 Burdwan, P. & O., March 25.
 Formosa, Gilman's, March 23.
 Burgeland, Jensen's, March 29.
 Talabot, Thorson's, March 30.
 Potsdam, Melchers, March 31.
 Oldenburg, Jensen's, April 2.
 Arendskerk, J. C. J. Line, April 10.
 City of Lincoln, Bank Line, April 12.

Havre

Burdwan, P. & O., March 25.
 City of Lincoln, Bank Line, April 12.

Karachi

Nagato Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Husimi Maru, N. Y. K., April 8.

London

Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Burdwan, P. & O., March 25.
 Canton, P. & O., April 1.
 Husimi Maru, N. Y. K., April 8.
 City of Lincoln, Bank Line, April 12.

Malta

Canton, P. & O., April 1.
 Marburg, Melchers, April 7.

Marseilles

Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Burdwan, P. & O., March 25.
 Pres. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 29.
 Canton, P. & O., April 1.
 Chenonceaux, Messageries, April 3.
 Marburg, Melchers, April 7.
 Husimi Maru, N. Y. K., April 8.
 Mar. Joffre, Messageries, April 13.
 Pres. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.

Mauritius

Tishow, Bank Line, March 24.

Naples

Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., March 25.
 Pres. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 25.
 Husimi Maru, N. Y. K., April 8.
 Pres. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.

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 "Suisang" 2nd Apr., 9 a.m.

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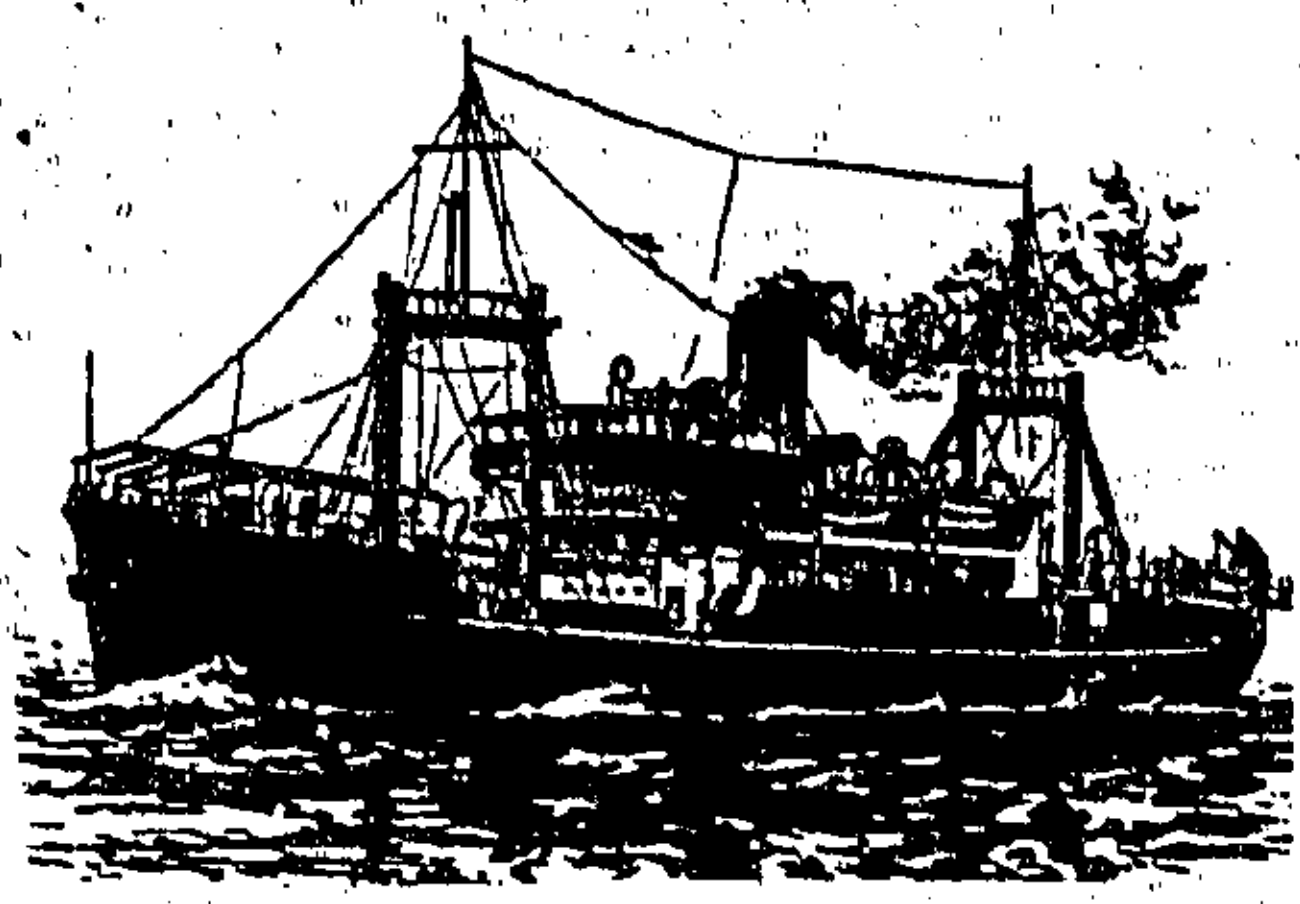
"Mausang" 1st Apr., 10 a.m.

To HAIPHONG

"Taisang" 29th Mar., 5 p.m.
 "Esang" 1st Apr., 3 p.m.
 "Mingsang" 4th Apr., 3 p.m.
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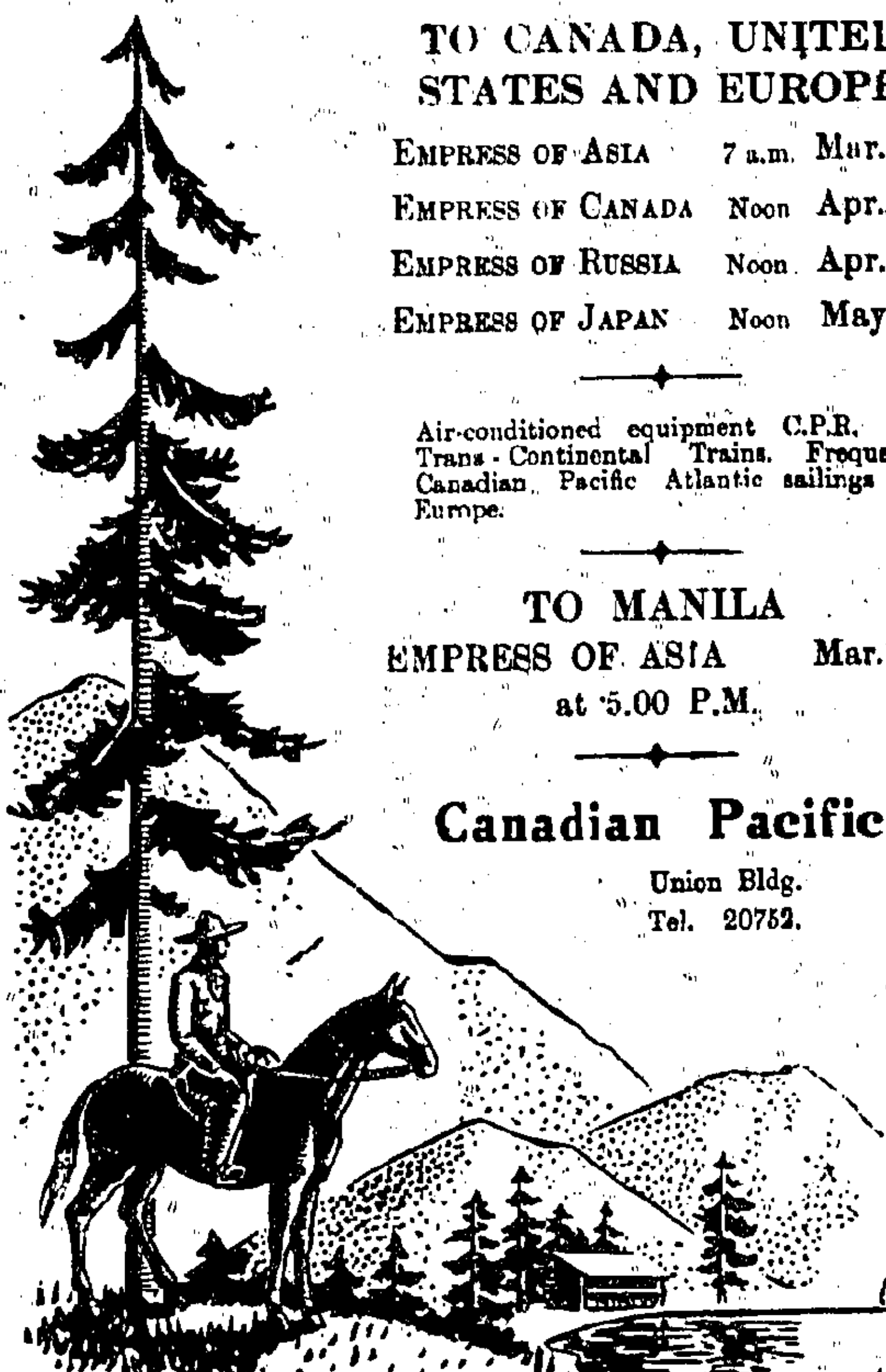
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HAKONE MARU 25th Mar.
 HUSIMI MARU 9th Apr.
 HAKOZAKI MARU 22nd Apr.

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day Island, Brisbane.
 ATUTA MARU 25th Mar.

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 ANYO MARU 9th Apr.

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DUE TO-DAY

Thurland Castle, British, 3,908
 regd. tons. Capt. J. J. Knight, from
 Japan, 7 a.m., at Kowloon Dock—
 Dodwell & Co. (Tel. 28021).

Kaying, British, 1,572 registered
 tons. Captain E. H. Histed, from
 Haiphong, Pakhoi and K. C. Wan,
 a.m., at buoy No. B7.—B. & S. (Tel.
 30331).

Hong Slang, British, 2,140 registered
 tons. Capt. D. M. Cole, from
 Straits, 8 a.m., at buoy No. A8.—Ho
 Hong & Co. (Tel. 28015).

Cyclops, British, 5,788 registered
 tons. Capt. A. Davies, from Japan
 and S'hai, 7 a.m., at buoy No. A9.—
 B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Kitano Maru, Japanese, from
 Australia and Manila, a.m., at
 buoy No. A12.—N.Y.K. (Tel. 30291).

Boisvein, Dutch, 8,669 registered
 tons. Capt. Blankstein, from
 Straits, 6 a.m., at K'loon Wharf—
 J.C.J. Line. (Tel. 28015).

Cremer, Dutch, 2,770 registered
 tons. Capt. Ahlers, from Straits,
 7 a.m., at buoy No. A11.—J.C.J.
 Line. (Tel. 28015).

Ho Sang, British, 3,293 registered
 tons. Capt. J. W. Pettigrew, from
 Calcutta, Straits and Saigon,
 4 p.m., at buoy No. A5.—J. M. &
 Co. (Tel. 30311).

Wing Sang, British, 1,953 registered
 tons. Capt. S. J. Barden, from
 Haiphong, a.m., at buoy No.
 B7.—J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Changon, British, 2,235 registered
 tons. Capt. L. N. Beer, from
 K. C. Wan, a.m., at C.M.S.N. Wharf—
 Peters & Co. (Tel. 26611).

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS

The R.M.S. Empress of Asia
 arrived at Shanghai on March 20
 (Monday) 1.00 p.m. leaves S'hai
 on March 21 (Tuesday) 7.30 p.m.
 She is due at Hongkong on March
 23 (Thursday) 9.00 p.m. and leaves
 Hongkong (for Manila) on the
 same day 5.00 p.m.

The R.M.S. Empress of Britain
 R/W cruise arrived at Bali on
 March 19 (Sunday) 6 a.m. left
 Bali on March 20 (Monday) 6 p.m.
 She is due at Batavia on March
 22 (Wednesday) 8 a.m. and leaves
 Batavia (for Durban) on March
 24 (Friday) 11 p.m.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan
 arrived at Shanghai on March 19
 (Sunday) noon left S'hai on Mar.
 20 (Monday) 7.00 a.m. She is due
 at Kobe on March 22 (Wed.) 8 a.m.
 leaves Kobe on the same day 4.00
 p.m. and leaves Yokohama (for
 Honolulu, Victoria and Vancouver)
 on March 23 (Thursday) mid-
 night.

The B. & S. s.s. Cyclops is ex-
 pected to arrive from Shanghai
 on March 21, 6 a.m.

The B. & S. s.s. Euryates is ex-
 pected to arrive from Manila on
 March 22, daylight.

DUE TO-MORROW

Sirdhana, British, 4,835 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. P. Fairbairn,
 from Kobe, noon, at buoy No. A2.
 M. M. & Co. (Tel. 27721).

Hai Hing, Norwegian, 1,445 re-
 gistered tons. Capt. E. R. Hanne-
 vig, from Amoy and Swatow, a.m.,
 at buoy No. B7.—Thorsen & Co.
 (Tel. 30297).

Shun Chih, British, 1,173 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. W. Lee, from
 Saigon, a.m., at buoy No. B2.—B.
 & S. (Tel. 30331).

ARRIVED YESTERDAY

Hai Tan, British, 2,225 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. E. Walker, from
 Swatow, at Douglas Wharf—
 Douglas & Co. (Tel. 28037).

Potsdam, German, 10,115 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. O. Prehn, from
 Hamburg, Straits and Manila,
 at Kowloon Wharf.—Melchers
 & Co. (Tel. 27772).

Memnon, British, 4,613 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. Phillips, from Ja-
 pan and S'hai, at buoy No. A4.—B.
 & S. (Tel. 30331).

Pleasantville, Norwegian, 2,749
 regd. tons. Capt. Wildhagen, from
 Manila, at buoy No. A3.—
 Bank Line. (Tel. 27791).

Hupei, British, 1,623 registered
 tons. Capt. J. S. Anderson, from
 Shanghai and Swatow, at buoy
 No. B16.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Yingchow, British, 1,216 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. G. P. Cope, from
 Tientsin and Swatow, at buoy No.
 B15.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Glenbeg, British, 5,789 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. G. Roberts, from
 Europe and Straits, at Holt's
 Wharf.—J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Tsinan, British, 2,100 registered
 tons. Captain J. K. Clark, from
 S'hai and Swatow, at buoy No.
 B20.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Kalgan, British, 1,566 registered
 tons. Capt. F. Gibbs, from Bang-
 kok, at buoy No. B3.—B. & S. (Tel.
 30331).

Yu Sang, British, 2,039 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. M. Costello, from
 S'hai and Swatow, at West Point
 Wharf.—J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Wuchang, British, 1,975 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. F. J. Green, from
 Canton, at Lai Chi Kok.—B. & S.
 (Tel. 30331).

Nanning, British, 1,486 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. E. W. Richards, from
 Nanookan, at Yaumati.—B. & S.
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SAILED YESTERDAY

Potsdam for Shanghai
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 Glenogle for S'pore
 Besholt for New York
 Canton for Haiphong
 Tai Poo Sek for K. C. Wan

SAILING TO-DAY

Glenbeg, British, 5,789 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. G. Roberts, from
 Holt's Wharf, for S'hai and Kobe,
 daylight.—J. M. & Co. (Tel.
 30311).

Dahpu, Norwegian, 1,146 regis-
 tered tons. Captain Sveen, from
 buoy No. B8, for Swatow, S'hai,
 Chefoo and T'sin, 7 a.m.—J. M. &
 Co. (Tel. 30311).

Szechuan, British, 1,584 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. A. Cook, from
 buoy No. B31, for Swatow and
 S'hai, 11 a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Ying Chow, British, 1,216 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. J. G. Smart, from
 buoy No. B15, for Swatow, Ningpo
 and Wenchow, noon.—B. & S. (Tel.
 30331).

Tjinegara, Dutch, 5,783 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. J. Van Rees, from
 Kowloon Wharf, for Manila, Cebu,
 Makassar and Sourabaya, 10 a.m.
 —J.C.J. Line. (Tel. 28015).

Nanning, British, 1,486 regis-
 tered tons. Capt. E. W. Richards,
 from Yaumati, for S'hai, 10 a.m.—
 B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

SAILING TO-MORROW

Kitano Maru, Japanese, from
 buoy No. A12, for Japan, a.m.—N.
 Y.K. (Tel. 30291).

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 tered tons. Captain Phillips, from
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 tered tons. Capt. O. B. Smith, from
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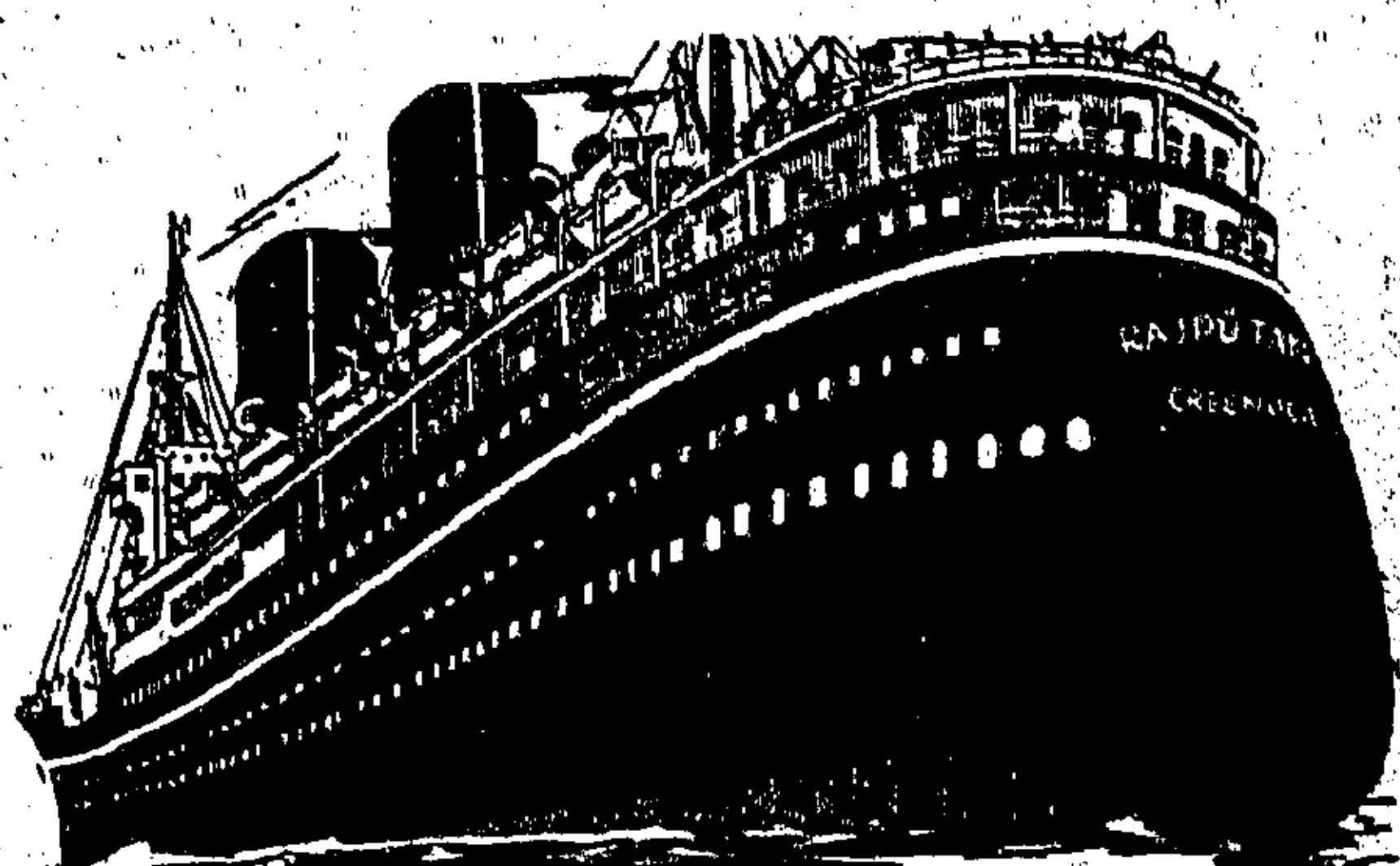
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 tered tons. Capt. J. W. Pettigrew,
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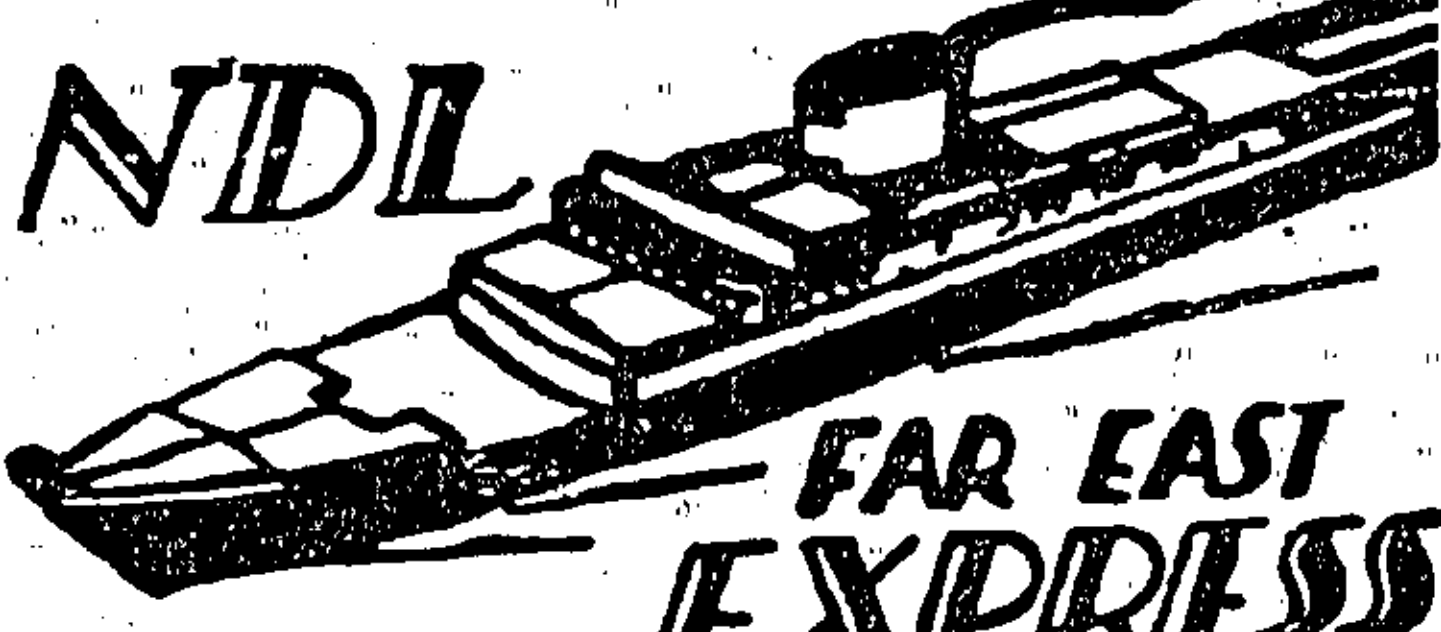
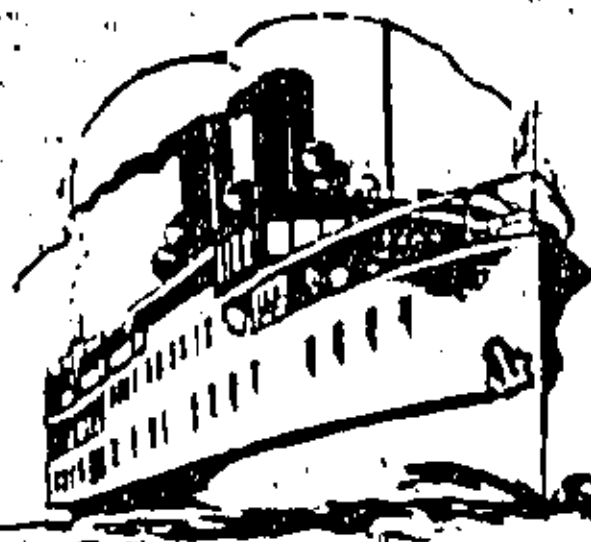
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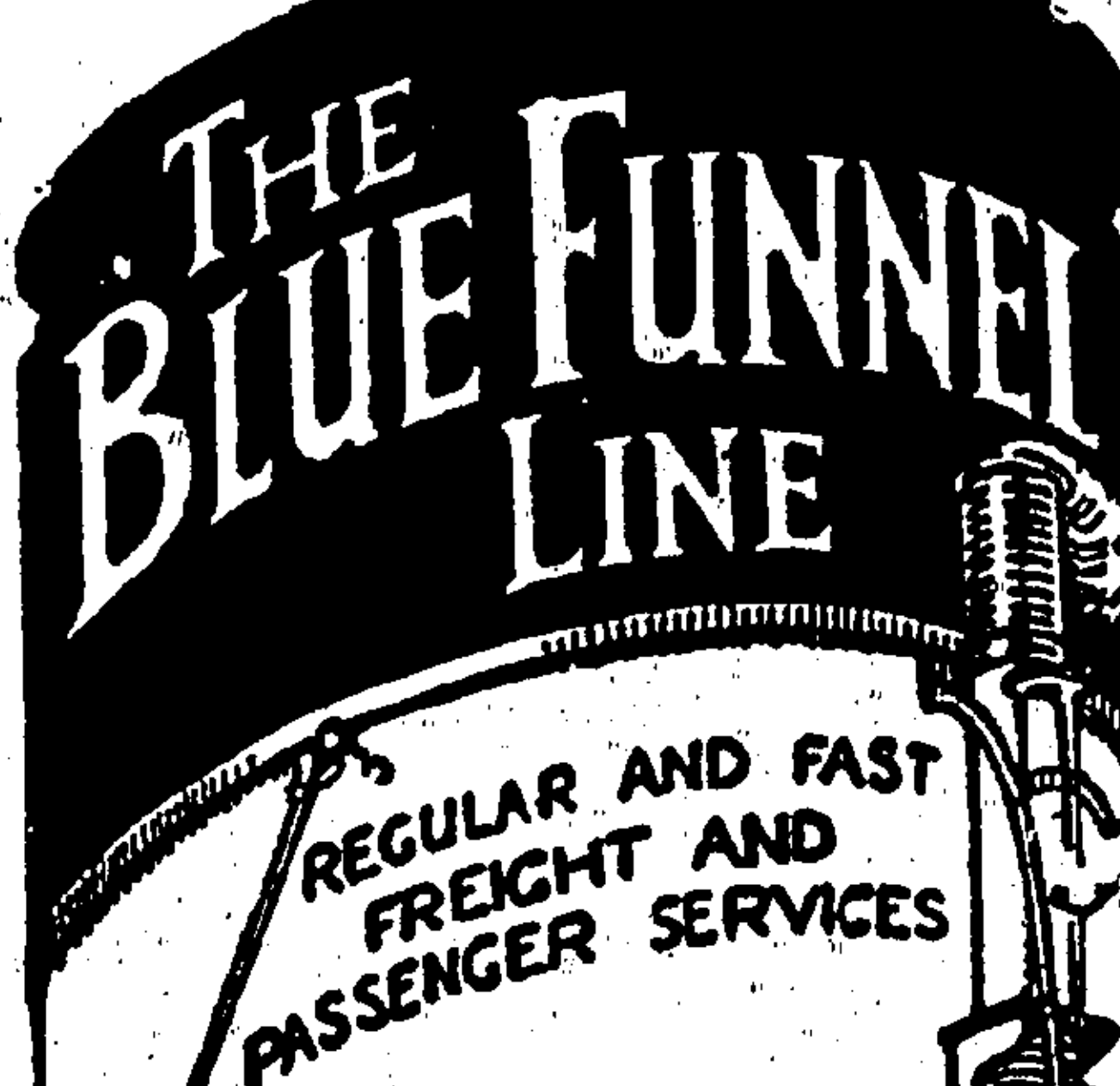
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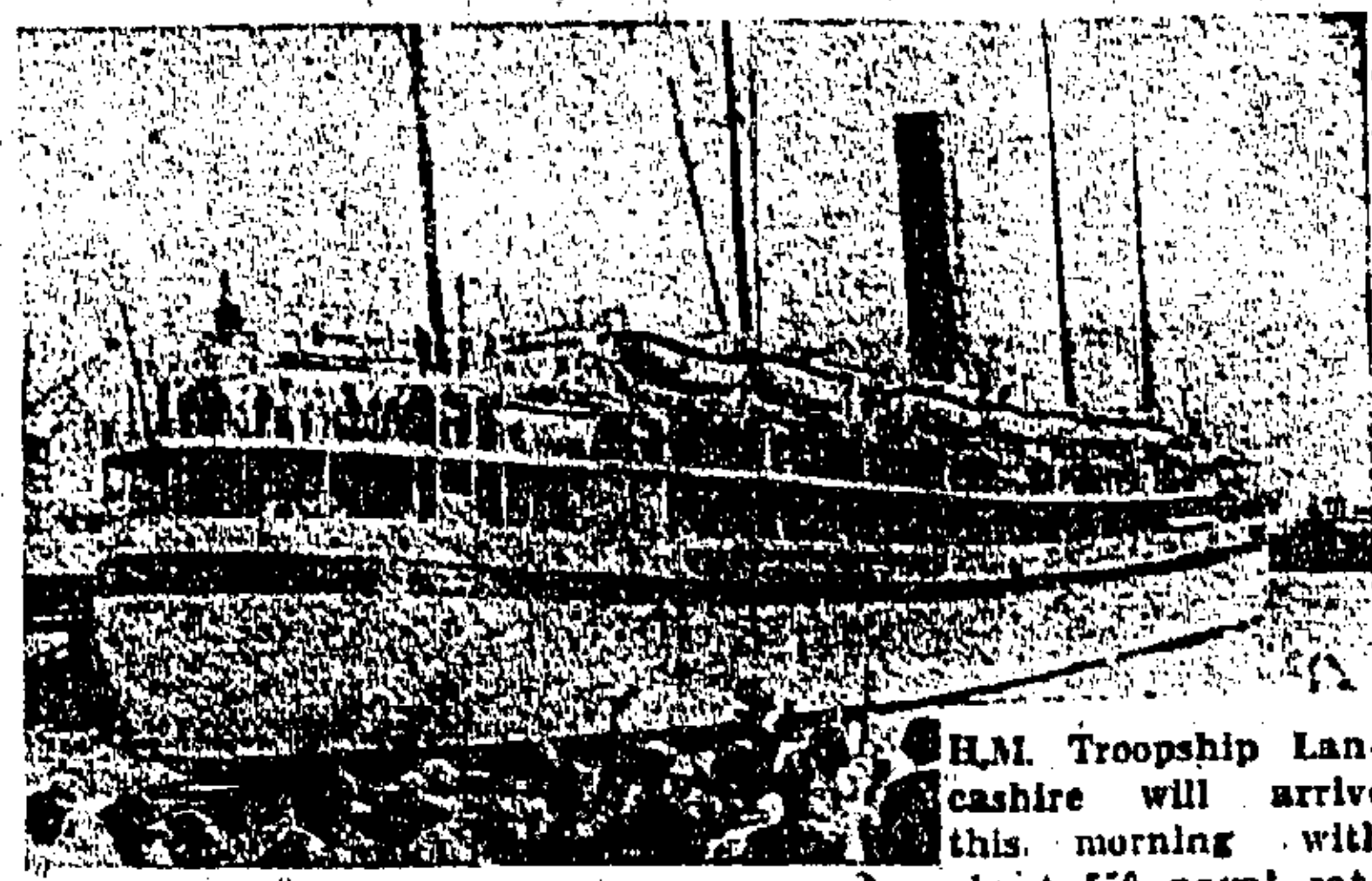
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HM. Troopship Lancashire will arrive this morning with about 550 naval ratings as reliefs for ships on the China Station. In addition there are a number of Army officers and men who will disembark here.

ANOTHER OBSTACLE FOR JAPANESE

"Occupied Area" To Be Supervised

CHUNGKING, Mar. 20 (Central)—Much importance is attached to the special commission being formed by the National Government to supervise all political affairs in the so-called "occupied areas."

The creation of the new organ marks the beginning of increasing difficulties for the Japanese, because it is to co-operate closely with the "Guerilla Section" of the National Military Council which directs the operations of guerilla units behind the Japanese lines.

It is estimated that one million regular troops are fighting the Japanese with mobile tactics. At the same time in the political field, the men are frustrating Japanese attempts to set up puppet regimes and cutting off their food supplies.

They seek to create such disturbances now and then as to make it practically impossible for the Japanese to exploit China's underground wealth or agricultural possibilities, adjoining cities or communication lines which they have captured.

They also seek to prevent the Japanese from opening schools in regions which they attempt to "pacify." Frequent surprise attacks have nipped in the bud many Japanese attempts to "sabotage" the mind of the young Chinese generations caught in the war zones.

CHOW EN-LAI IN CHEKIANG

KINHWA, Mar. 20 (Central)—Gen. Chow En-lai, Deputy Chief of the Political Department of the Military Affairs Commission, left here yesterday morning for an undisclosed destination to meet Gen. Huang Shao-hsiung, Chairman of the Chekiang Provincial Government.

Gen. Chow arrived in Kinwha from an extensive trip to south Anhwei on March 18. While here, he had several meetings with the military authorities in charge of north Chekiang operations.

SPEED RECORD BY GERMAN PLANE

BERLIN, Mar. 20 (T.Ocean)—A new world speed record was established on Sunday by a new German bombing plane commissioned with the German air force covering a distance of 1,000 kilometres from Dessau to "Zugspitze" mountain and back with 2,000 kilograms ballast, making an average speed of 517 kilometres per hour which is 43 kilometres more than the previous world record held by a foreign machine.

SOVIET NOTE ON GERMAN ACTION

MOSCOW, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—In the course of a note to Germany refusing legal validity for the German section in Czechoslovakia, M. Litvinoff, the Soviet Commissar for Foreign Affairs, declares that the Czechoslovak Republic had been one of the few European states where internal tranquillity and a peaceable foreign policy were really secured.

The note declines to believe that any people, who for hundreds of years fought for independence, would voluntarily agree to its destruction after obtaining it.

BRITISH STATESMEN AT WORK

Prime Minister's Busy Day

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Britain's Prime Minister, had a busy day yesterday.

Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, Sir Kingsley Wood, Secretary of State for Air, and Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, called on him in the morning, while Lord Chatfield, Minister for Co-ordination of Defence, and Sir Thomas Inskip, Secretary of State for the Dominions, called on the Premier in the afternoon.

Lord Halifax and Mr. Oliver Stanley paid a second visit to the Premier in the afternoon.

AUDIENCE OF THE KING
At 5.50 p.m., Mr. Chamberlain left Downing Street and drove to Buckingham Palace, where he had an audience of the King at 6 p.m. to report on the latest developments in the European situation to His Majesty.

Two to three hundred people in Downing Street cheered the Premier as he drove away.

Mr. Chamberlain remained just over an hour with the King and then drove back to Downing Street.

AT FOREIGN OFFICE
M. Ivan Maiski, Soviet Ambassador in London, spent half an hour with Lord Halifax at the Foreign Office in the afternoon. Sir Neville Henderson, British Ambassador in Berlin, arrived in London in the afternoon and drove straight to the Foreign Office where he had an interview with Lord Halifax. His stay at the Foreign Office lasted three-quarters of an hour.

Lord Halifax then revisited No. 10, Downing Street at 4.45 p.m. and remained with the Premier for two hours.

Full Support For Daladier

PARIS, Mar. 20 (Reuter)—The French Ambassador to Germany has arrived here and is seeing the Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet, this morning.

France's determination to take energetic measures to face the international crisis is reflected in the press. The Prime Minister, M. Daladier, is promised universal support by papers of all shades of political opinion.

Russia's refusal to recognize Germany's annexation of Czechoslovakia is noted with satisfaction.

BOY INJURED

A 12-year-old boy was sent to the Queen Mary Hospital suffering from an injured right leg. According to a report made by Ho Wing, bus driver, the boy was riding a bicycle and collided into the bus while crossing Lockhart Road about 6.40 p.m. yesterday. The police found that the bicycle had no front brake.



Group of spectators photographed at the Fanning Race meeting at Kwai recently. (Photo by Leica)

RELENTLESS ATTACK BY CHINESE

Japanese Driven Back In Shansi

SIEN, MAR. 20 (CENTRAL)—IN A RELENTLESS COUNTER-ONSETTIVE ON TSINGLO, IN NORTH SHANSI, WHICH FELL TO THE JAPANESE SOME TIME AGO, A CHINESE COLUMN HAS RECAPTURED AN IMPORTANT POINT ABOUT 13 MILES SOUTH OF THE TOWN, AND IS RAPIDLY ADVANCING NORTHWARD.

Another Chinese detachment, in the meantime, has defeated the Japanese along the Tsinglo-Koluan highway to the north-west of Tsinglo. During their retreat, the Japanese resorted to the use of gas to "impede the Chinese pursuit."

Although a large number of their comrades were killed, the Chinese continued their pursuit, forcing the Japanese to retreat within the town of Tsinglo.

After their reverses in their recent northward drive, the Japanese at Yuhshien, south of Wutai, are now pushing southward. They are being engaged by Chinese units at Siyen.

In south Shansi, a Chinese unit a few days ago staged a night raid on the Japanese at Changli station about 10 miles south of Linfen on the Tangung-Fuchow Railway, and tore up a long section of rails.

HOPEI TOWNS RECAPTURED
HOKU, SHANSI, Mar. 20 (Central)—Two strategic towns in west Hopei, Paipao and Tanghu, north of Mancheng, have been recaptured by Chinese forces, according to military despatches reaching here.

The recapture was the result of a series of vigorous attacks launched by the Chinese, during which many Japanese were killed.

The Japanese at Paipao have retreated towards Mancheng while those at Tanghu towards Yihshien in the northeast.

JAPANESE DRIVEN BACK
NINGKUO, ANHWEI, Mar. 20 (Central)—With the arrival of heavy reinforcements, the Chinese operating in Kiangsu have succeeded in driving back to Tienwangssu, south-east of Nanking, the Japanese who were pushing towards the Chinese positions nearby.

Chinese guerilla activities in central Kiangsi ran rampant in the past few days. They have badly damaged the bridges to the west of Lishui, south-west of Tienwangssu, to impede Japanese communications there.

Shanghai, a town south-east of Lishui, was razed to the ground as a result of Japanese incendiary bombing recently. Nearly all the villages within two miles of the highway there were also burned down. Several Chinese in Shanghai were killed by the Japanese.

ATTACK ON PINGHU
KINHWA, Mar. 20 (Central)—Taking advantage of the depletion of the Japanese forces, Chinese guerilla units launched an enveloping attack on Pinghu, north-west of Chao, in northern Chekiang, on Mar. 17.

Important points in the vicinity of the town are reported to have been captured by the Chinese. Communication between Pinghu and Shanghai has been cut.

CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, and Lady Northcote and party were, among the audience present at the fifth concert of the Hongkong Chamber Music Club held at the Fung Ping Shan Library last evening.

Mr. Siton Ma, Mr. Simon Ma, Mr. E. O'Neill Shaw, Miss Mary Ho, Mr. Anton Ho, Mr. Au Wai-man and Signor E. Pellegrini were the artists who contributed to the success of the evening.

An enjoyable programme was arranged by Mr. Siton Ma and Mr. O'Neill Shaw.

The sixth concert will be held at Government House, by invitation of His Excellency the Governor, on Tuesday, April 18, at 8.30 p.m.

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Manila	Eurybates	22nd Mar.
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Japan	Sirihana	22nd Mar.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B. C. date, 4th March)	Emp. of Asia	23rd Mar.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 15th March	Pan American Airways plane	24th Mar.
Manila	Pres. Pierce	24th Mar.
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Japan	Atuta Maru	24th Mar.
Japan and Shanghai	Burdwan	24th Mar.
Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Papers etc.) London date 23rd February	Suwa Maru	25th Mar.
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Manila	Marchen Maerik	26th Mar.
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Saloon	Chichibu Maru	28th Mar.
Japan and Shanghai	Marechal Joffre	28th Mar.
Japan	Potsdam	30th Mar.
U. S. A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 4th March)	Nankin	30th Mar.
U.S.A., Honolulu Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco date, 10th March)	Pres. Coolidge	31st Mar.
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Shanghai	Boissevain	7.00 PM
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